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Free Trade Unions Confederation Elects President Congress Issues Manifesto

London, Dec. 9.—The International Confederation of Free Trade Unions Executive today elected Mr Paul Finet, 52-year-old General Secretary of the Belgian Federation of Labour, as its first President.

Mr Finet started life as a tool maker, became a full-time union official in 1928 and rose to be Acting National Secretary of the Belgian Federation of Labour in 1936.

He spent the war years in exile in Britain.

Since 1944 he has been active in the International Labour Organisation, first as a technical adviser, then as delegate representing the Belgian workers, and since 1946 as a member of the governing body.

The Executive Board named the following as Vice-Presidents:

Here Hans Boeckler (German "Gewerkschaftsbund"), Mr Arthur Deakin (British Trades Union Council), Mr William Green (American Federation of Labour), Mr Eiler Jensen (Danish "De Samvirkende Fagforbund"), Mr Leon Jouhaux (French "Force Ouvriere"), and Mr Phillip Murray (United States Congress of Industrial Organizations).

MANIFESTO

When the inaugural Congress of the Confederation met for the third and final day today a special Committee presented for Congress approval a manifesto and a declaration of economic and social demands.

The manifesto made a three-point appeal for:

- (1) "Economic security and social justice for all."
- (2) "Freedom—through economic and political democracy."
- (3) "Peace—with liberty, justice and dignity for all."

It called upon workers of all countries, races and creeds to be united in the new Confederation.

A 36-point declaration on economic and social demands promised full support for the European Recovery Programme and similar measures elsewhere. "Our aim is an economy of full employment, full produc-

tion and full distribution," it stated.

The declaration rejected high tariff walls and other trade restrictions and called for extended international economic co-operation.

UNIFICATION

"We recognize as the most urgent initial action, the unification of Western Europe, including the incorporation of Germany in the European community."

"We believe that Austria, Germany and Japan should, through State or peace treaties, be brought fully into the comity of free nations as soon as possible."

Mr Walter Reuther, leader of the American CIO (Congress of Industrial Organizations) delegation, who was Chairman of the Committee drafting the manifesto and resolution on social and economic demands, told delegates:

"The task ahead will not be achieved by pious and pretty words. The real task is to translate these noble phrases into positive instruments of action in the struggle that lies ahead."

"In the struggle against Communism and the growing reaction of the right, the democratic force will not win by slogans but by action."

If this Congress became only a "mutual admiration society," it would fail in its historic mission," Mr Reuther said. "We have got to demonstrate leadership. Labour is the vanguard of democratic forces fighting to end the solution to basic and economic problems facing everybody in the world," he added.

OPERATION AERIAL



This picture shows Operation Aerial being put into effect yesterday in the New Territories. A plane has dropped supplies to waiting troops by parachute.—(Staff Photographer).

Ex-Congressman Sentenced For Frauds Against Govt.

SIX TO 18 MONTHS IN PRISON AND
A FINE OF \$10,000

Washington, Dec. 9.—J. Parnell Thomas, his Congressional rank gone, was sentenced on Friday to six to 18 months imprisonment and fined \$10,000 for payroll and salary-kickback frauds against the government.

As the 54-year-old New Jersey Republican was led away by a United States Marshal, attractive Mrs Thomas said she would seek her husband's office.

Thomas—once Chairman of the House Un-American Activities Committee—spared himself the extra indignity of being dragged out of Congress just before he heard the Federal Judge, Alexander Holtzoff, pass sentence, by announcing his resignation. Thomas gave up his \$15,000-a-year post to which he had been elected for seven successive terms by voters in his home district around Allendale, New Jersey.

Red-faced as ever, but completely calm and composed, Thomas was led away by a United States Marshal for removal to the Federal prison at Danbury, Connecticut, where

he will serve out his time. As he left, he waved to his wife who stood pale and motionless in the courtroom.

He has no appeal from the sentence. Thomas deprived himself of that right last week when he interrupted his trial in his third day to enter a surprise plea of "no defence." In effect throwing himself on the mercy of the court. But in sentencing Thomas, Justice Holtzoff rejected a request for leniency. The judge wanted the convicted man to stay in prison until his fine is paid. But Thomas's lawyer, William Collins, told reporters that this meant the defendant will not be eligible for parole for seven months if he fails to pay. Otherwise he could be set free at the end of his minimum six-month term. Thomas could avoid payment of the fine by filing a poverty certificate after he has served his minimum sentence.

He could have been sentenced to a maximum of 32 years imprisonment plus fines totalling \$40,000.

CONTROVERSIAL CAREER

His downfall ended one of the most controversial political careers in recent Congressional history. As Chairman of the House Un-American Activities Committee in 1947 and 1948, he presided over a series of turbulent investigations centering principally on Communist spying activities in this country. His committee broke the sensational Elizabeth Bentley spy ring story, and the even more explosive Alger Hiss—Whittaker Chambers battle that ended with a perjury indictment against this former high State Department officer. Thomas again and again swore that his troubles with the law stemmed from his fervid campaign against Communism. He accused the Administration of persecuting him and charged that his left-wing enemies, in and out of office, hunted him to go.

But it was the woman he trusted who helped send him to prison—Miss Helen Campbell, his Congressional office secretary who turned State's evidence against him when the law closed in. She was not in court when her ex-husband was sentenced. Mr Collins, Thomas's lawyer, said that the \$10,000 fine would not be paid immediately, but he

made no indication whether Thomas intends to pay or has funds to do so. The entire sentencing took only ten minutes. Thomas, dressed in a gray chalked strip suit, had nothing to say. He kept control of his emotions. When he waved good-bye to his wife as he left the courtroom, her eyes filled. But she managed to smile and wave back. As soon as the convicted man left, Mrs Thomas handed reporters copies of her statement announcing her intention to run for his House seat.

Mrs Thomas's statement reads: "I intend to seek the Congressional seat about to be vacated by my husband. As his wife I can do no less. I have seen Parnell Thomas maligned and persecuted ever since he became chairman of the Committee on Un-American Activities. They have ruined his health, and now they have done this to my husband. I now ask the people of the 7th Congressional District in New Jersey to support his fight against the enemies of the Republic by electing me. If elected, I shall continue the same struggle against subversive influences."

"Voluminous office files and records of J. Parnell Thomas—those that have not been stolen—will be at my disposal, and therefore for the benefit of my constituency. God give me strength to carry on."

Mrs Thomas did not explain what she meant by "stolen" office files. Presumably they may have included those checked by the government in bringing its case against Thomas.

Accompanied by two U.S. marshals, Thomas took the noon Pennsylvania train "The Senator" for Danbury. He entered the parlor car behind the engine. The shades were down as the train left. When Thomas left the Federal Court building for the station, he waved good-bye to several reporters.—United Press.

IMPRISONMENT FOR TEN RUSSIANS

Spying Against Marshal Tito 11 YEARS TERM FOR PRIEST

Sarajevo, Dec. 9.—Yugoslavia today sent to prison 10 Soviet citizens—including a priest and a woman—accused of spying for Russia against Marshal Tito. The sentences ranged from three to 20 years' imprisonment.

Fr Krisko, grey-bearded Orthodox Church priest, said to have headed the alleged spy ring, received 11 years.

The woman, Kehia Komad, who admitted co-operating with the Gestapo and who said that she had lived with Krisko, received three years.

The trial, held in the Sarajevo District Court, was the first in an Eastern European country involving Soviet citizens.

The sentences passed on the others were as follows: Arseni Boremovic, 20 years; Vladimir Ogibev, six years; Ehatol Koljakov, 10 years; Ilya Sekretov, six years; Vladimir Gester, five years; Peter Sokolov, four-and-a-half years; Georgi Olcowski, four years. All the sentences carry hard labour.

It is understood that all the accused will appeal.

This was the first trial of Soviet citizens in a Communist country. One of the men originally accused, Vladimir Hekldov, hanged himself in his cell the night before the trial began on December 1. He left letters saying, "I do not blame anybody. Treatment was good."

Boremovic, a Marxist law student, aged 49, was the only accused to plead "Not Guilty" to the main charges.

PRIEST'S PLEA

He was alleged to have worked for the Soviet Service after 1947.

When the accused made their final plea Fr Krisko, who admitted passing intelligence to the Soviet Embassy in Belgrade, asked for his age and good record as head of the White Russian colony in Sarajevo to be taken into account.

He was said to have used his clerical robes to tour the country and preach against Marshal Tito.

Specific charges against the accused included collaboration with the Nazis and subversive activities on behalf of Russia and the Cominform against Marshal Tito's regime.

The accused were each guarded in the dock by blue-uniformed policemen wearing the partisan star—a decoration for those who fought with Marshal Tito during the war.—Reuter.

Piracy On Plane In Mid-Air

GUARD KILLED

Belgrade, Dec. 9.—Four Rumanians fatally shot a militia guard aboard a Rumanian airliner today and forced the pilot to fly them to Belgrade. The transport, flying from Turnu-Severin, Rumania, and originally bound for Bucharest, landed here with 19 passengers, five crewmen and the dead guard.

Surprised Yugoslav airport guards surrounded the plane when it landed. Yugoslav officials did not say whether the Rumanians would be granted asylum. They did say that those who wanted to go back to Rumania could do so.

The authorities said four Rumanians seized the guard's pistol and killed the man, then broke into the pilot's cabin, stuck the gun in his back and ordered him to Belgrade.

Officials did not make public the names of the passengers, but said none seemed known outside their own country.—United Press.

HONGKONG DOG SHOW CANCELLED

At a committee meeting of the Hongkong Kennel Club yesterday it was decided after further consideration to cancel the forthcoming dog show, entries for which had been limited to the island of Hongkong.

Apart from insufficient entries to justify the service of an overseas judge the Committee unanimously felt that with the increase in rabies such a show would be inadvisable.

The above information was learned from Mr H. M. Howell, Hon. Secretary of the Kennel Club.

Held In Concentration Camp Says Australian

DUTCH ACCUSED

Darwin, Australia, Dec. 9.—Herbert Ammon, a 28-year-old Australian, charged on his arrival by air from Batavia, Java, on Thursday night, that the Dutch had held him without charge in a "concentration camp" for fourteen months.

Ammon said that he was picked up when he was a member of the crew of the 40-foot barge Peron which lost its way in September 1948 en route to Darwin. He said another crew member, Frantz Gerson, and Gerson's wife, are still held by the Dutch.

Ammon said there are about 100 Germans, Japanese, Chinese, British and Russians in the camp where he was detained. He described conditions in the camp as "very bad," with police guards and meagre portions of soup, rice and bread for food.

He claimed that he was not permitted to see the Australian Consul, until he had been in camp for more than five months. Only after the Australian government had officially protested to the Dutch, was he permitted to leave Java, Ammon said.

He said the British Consul in Batavia had warned him not to make any statements to the Press about his detention. He made them, anyway.—United Press.

EDITORIAL

Today's Australian Elections

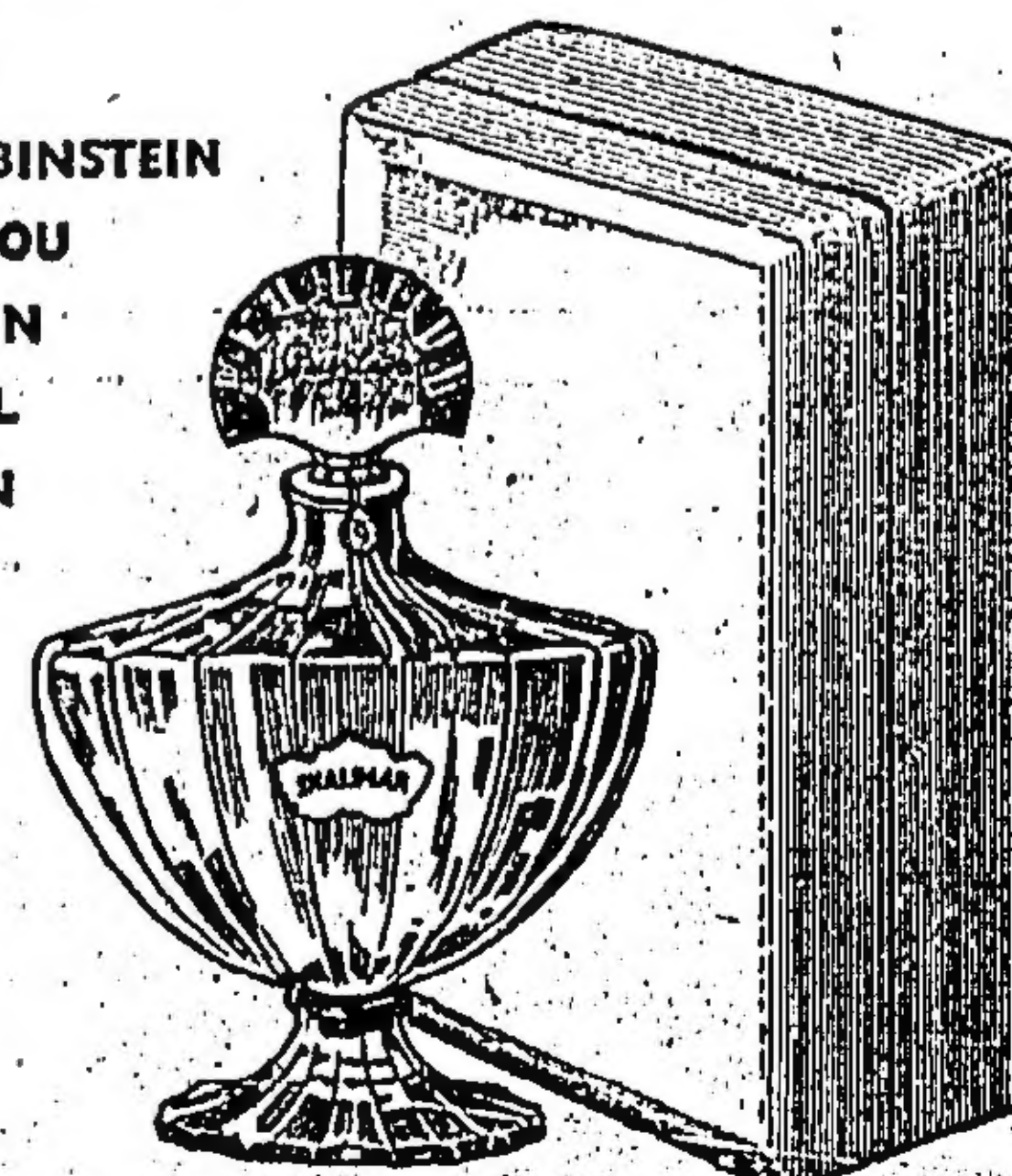
HONGKONG may not be directly, certainly not immediately affected by the result of today's Federal elections in Australia, but even this Colony, 3,000 miles away from the scene of action, is interested in the outcome. As a small sister member of the Commonwealth empire, and a segment of Southeast Asia in which Australia is closely related from the defence point of view, we like to know the current political mind of the Australian nation, more especially as its White Australian policy can affect large numbers of Asiatics in this part of the world. And in a limited manner this is an issue in today's election. Mr Calwell's uncompromising interpretation of the White Australia policy has, during past months, created as great a political furor as the Government's intensive programme of socialisation and its endeavours to create a welfare State as quickly as possible. Not only Mr Calwell in his own constituency, but the remainder of the Labour Party's candidates have, during the past fortnight, found it necessary to campaign strenuously in defence of the policy as defined by the Government. Despite this, however, it is significant that none of the parties has denounced or even suggested its repudiation. The Opposition plead for a more flexible and humane application of the principles and regulations governing immigration and re-entry of Asiatics. Fundamentally there is general agreement in Australia that the policy in its general terms and intentions is sound and proper. And it is because of this the Socialist candidates have probably had a reasonably easy time disposing of the criticisms directed against the Government in the handling of cases which have come within the orbit of the White Australia policy. Mr Calwell's refusal to make exceptions in cases where Chinese immigrants who entered the country

during the war through unusual circumstances is not difficult to justify. The men were warned at the time, and often enough subsequently, that they could not expect to stay permanently within the Commonwealth; that they could only be regarded as temporary visitors. And to make exceptions today would be, in fact, a denial of the provisions of the law on this subject. Labour is not likely to be defeated on this issue. It is, however, in danger of being ousted for other reasons, amongst them being middle-class resentment of the Government's seemingly casual handling of strike situations which have occurred with tedious monotony since the war; growing irritation with controls which affect and intrude upon the daily lives of the nation; a natural tendency for the electors to recall the failures and forget the achievements of a Government when it has been in power as long as eight years. Offsetting factors are the imposing mass of Trade Union votes, almost all of which are certain to be cast for Labour candidates; the several benefits which the rank and file are deriving from the Government's social welfare legislation; full employment; an acknowledged high standard of living; the well high slavish respect of the Labour Party for the workers' rights and privileges. In the main the Opposition have to rely on the emotional, rather than the rational appeal. It would not be the first time in history that this approach to the electors has succeeded, and whatever the outcome of today's voting in Australia, there is going to be a close contest. Labour will probably have to surrender some of the majority it held in the House of Representatives in the last Government, but will probably muster enough voting strength to win a working balance which will enable it to continue in power.

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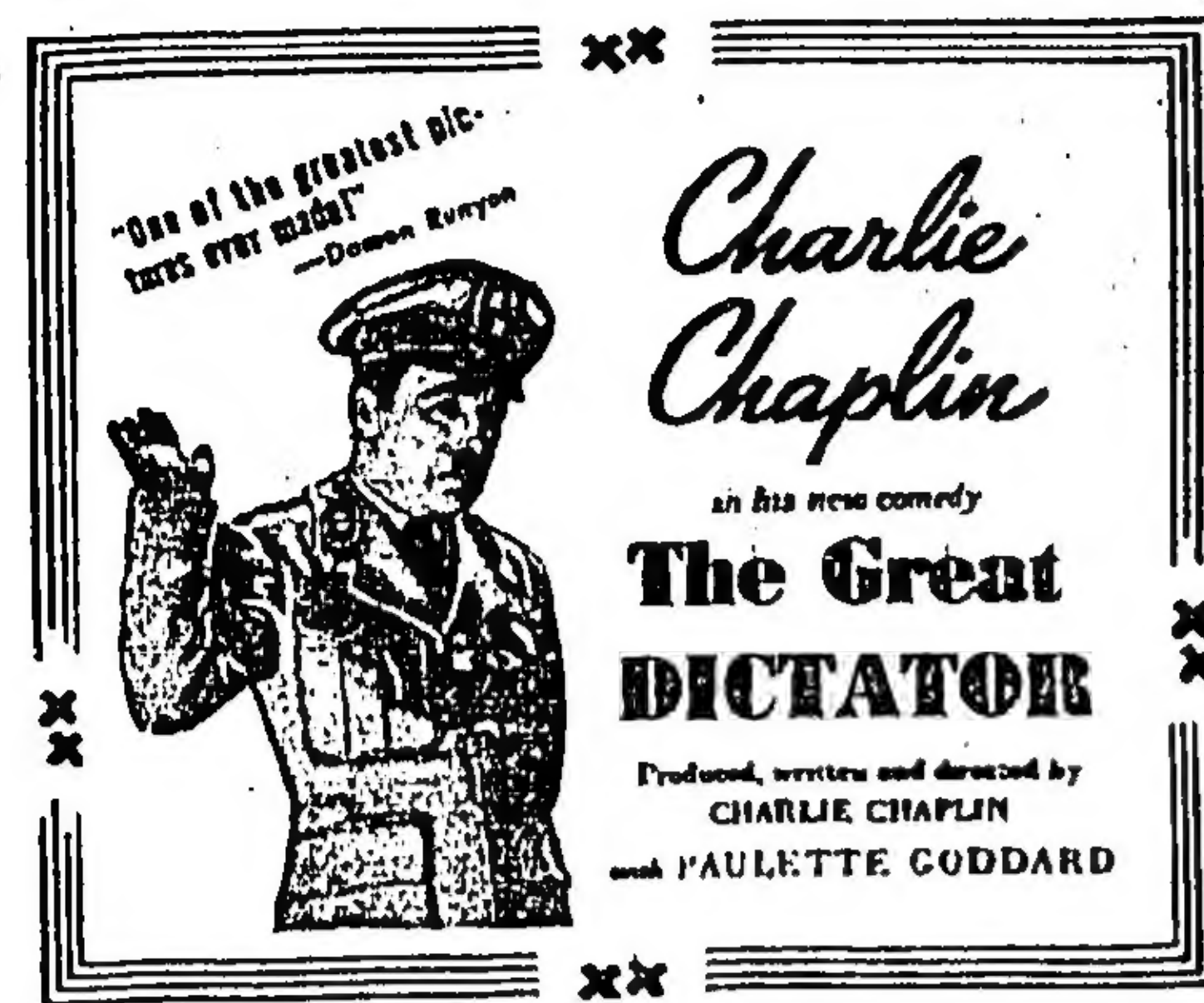
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Ida Lupino turns producer, makes her 'double' star

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SALLY FORREST
 in Not Wanted.

Thirty-one-year-old Ida Lupino, who left London at 16 to seek and find fame as an actress in Hollywood, has now become filmland's youngest woman producer. Her first independent venture—a simple but well-told tear-jerker about an unmarried mother, entitled "Not Wanted"—was shown privately in the West End. Miss Lupino made this film in Hollywood on a bank loan, plus nearly £40,000 of her savings. She formed a company called Emerald Productions, after her mother, former London musical comedy star, Constance Emerald. By the time production was finished—after increasing financial difficulties—she had no money left to advertise or exploit it. But the picture soon advertised itself, and it has now been officially listed in America as among the 12 top box-office hits of the summer. Producer Ida has not her investment back—with dividends. Outstanding feature of "Not Wanted," as I saw it, is the moving performance of 19-year-old Sally Forrest, in the leading role. **STAR CONTRACT** Ida Lupino picked her, an unknown actress, because she resembled her own appearance when she first arrived in Hollywood. As producer, Miss Lupino seems to have done a Svengali act. Not only in looks, but in personality, gestures and dramatic power, the new girl is uncannily like the Ida Lupino of some 15 years ago. As a result of this performance, Sally Forrest has been given a star contract by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer. —(London Express Service)



FLASHBACK TO 1934
 Ida Lupino 15 years ago.

Horse Laughs From Disney

Say, did you ever notice how many horses get into Walt Disney pictures? An expert rider, polo player and horse owner since boyhood, Walt has a special liking for the sons of Pegasus. He puts them into his animated fantasies as often as occasion or the script permits. And, following the laws and orders of caricature, they always come out comically, although not always grotesquely. In his forthcoming RKO Radio Technicolor release, "The Adventures of Ichabod and Mr. Toad," Walt enters three new steeds in the cinema derby. One is the famous plough-horse, Gunpowder, whose slowness about is hilariously sung and described by Bing Crosby. He carries Ichabod to his ill-starred rendezvous with the fair Katrina in the eerie den of Sleepy Hollow. **SACK OF BONES** Here is such a sack of bones and reluctance as has ever disgraced his noble breed. Matched against Gunpowder is Headless Horseman, who seems to share his master's fierce joy in Ichabod's cowering flight. The third equine is Cyril, the faithful companion of Mr. Toad whose exploits are recounted by Bud Abbott. Other members of the Disney stable who come to mind are the beautifully winged creature in "Fantasia" and that famous lughead, Widow-maker, who brought Pecora Bill to grief in "Melody Time." But while Disney has shown quite an interest in horses, it seems that the only race any of them could win would be one for laughs.

HERE COMES HAROLD LLOYD, JR. A pair of cheap, horn-rimmed and glassless specs which made their appearance on an aspiring movie comedian named Harold Lloyd back in 1917 will once more make a film appearance. But this time they will not be worn by Lloyd. They will be worn by Lloyd's 18-year-old son, Harold, Jr., when he makes his screen debut in Samuel Goldwyn's "Beloved Over All." Young Lloyd claims he will wear the glasses only in this Goldwyn film. The only other time he will don this piece of property will be when he and his father appear together in a picture. The glasses were one of several pairs Lloyd wore when he first appeared in one-reelers made by Hal Roach.

Hollywood will get its own way in Denham

Making their exit from Denham Studios the other week John Mills and Richard Attenborough. Their new film is finished. Due for departure in a week—Jean Kent, after the last shots on "The Reluctant Widow." Then the lights go out at Denham, a few days before Christmas, not a very happy holiday beginning for the film.

Empty rooms

Who will be the next tenants of those star dressing-rooms at Denham, which have had such names as Vivien Leigh, James Mason, Stewart Granger, Laurence Olivier and Jean Simmons? Though everything is still in the prospecting stage, I gather that Paramount and Twentieth Century are running selective eyes down their lists of top contract stars—in case they are wanted. They are good lists, cheerful compensation for the fact that Denham's future should have to rely on them at all. Paramount possibilities include Bob Hope, Alan Ladd and Olivia de Havilland rather more than a possibility is Barbara Stanwyck—I should count her as a "probable." Miss de Havilland would be most welcome of all, after her Snake Pit tour de force. On Twentieth Century's short list are Lauretta Young, Betty Grable, Linda Darnell and Jeanne Crain (A number of their other front-rank stars have already been filming here—such as Gregory Peck, Tyne Power, Richard Widmark and Gene Tierney). With this company I would gladly settle for Jeanne Crain. Her finely sensitive performance in "Pinky" one of the unexpected acting triumphs of the year makes me wonder anew, after Olivia de Havilland's sudden jump to brilliance. How many other actresses are there in Hollywood at present condemned to chocolate-box roles—but with first-rate acting talent only awaiting the right story and director?

One good point about the coming 1950 invasion the stars will not be shipping dollars out colony there. January and February look like being dark months indeed for our biggest studios. And what follows? Amid much speculation, my own prophecy is that early Spring will bring Hollywood to Denham on an Anglo-American production basis. Two major United States companies will, I forecast, get busy in these studios. Twentieth Century-Fox, now turning out by far the best of Hollywood pictures, and Paramount, who turn out the showiest. In the wake of these companies will come some of their top stars. Because Hollywood, urged by Mr. Harold Wilson to produce more films in England, will do so only if they can top the costs recruited here with a box-office stuffer of American "name." On this point I think the Hollywood companies will get their own way. I have no quarrel with the policy so long as we don't have

And the dressing-rooms of British stars may be filled with American voices

SHOW TALK by HAROLD CONWAY

WEEK-END SCREEN FARE

THE SUN COMES UP (QUEEN'S & ALHAMBRA) Adapted from a little-known short story by Marjorie Kin-ton Rawlings, perhaps the best she has written. The original is the story of a woman writer living in a remote part of Florida who is befriended by a boy obsessed by the fact that though he is an orphan he must have a mother somewhere. MGM brings into the story Jeanette MacDonald, as fine a selection for the role of the author as one could have wished for, but it apparently makes her a singer too. That does the picture no harm. Claude Jarman, Jr. plays the boy and a place has been found for Lassie.

THAT WONDERFUL URGE (ROXY & BROADWAY) Is a romantic farce about a frivolous heiress and a newspaper reporter, Gene Tierney and Tyrone Power respectively. Though either of these two have done well by dramatic roles, they are much preferable in comedy and the film is excellent entertainment.

THE GREAT DICTATOR (KING'S) Is a film that deserves re-showing every few years for the next century. Chaplin has captured both the comic and horrifying aspects of two of the dictators of our age. If you have not seen the film before, do not miss it. If you have, it is entertaining enough for another visit.



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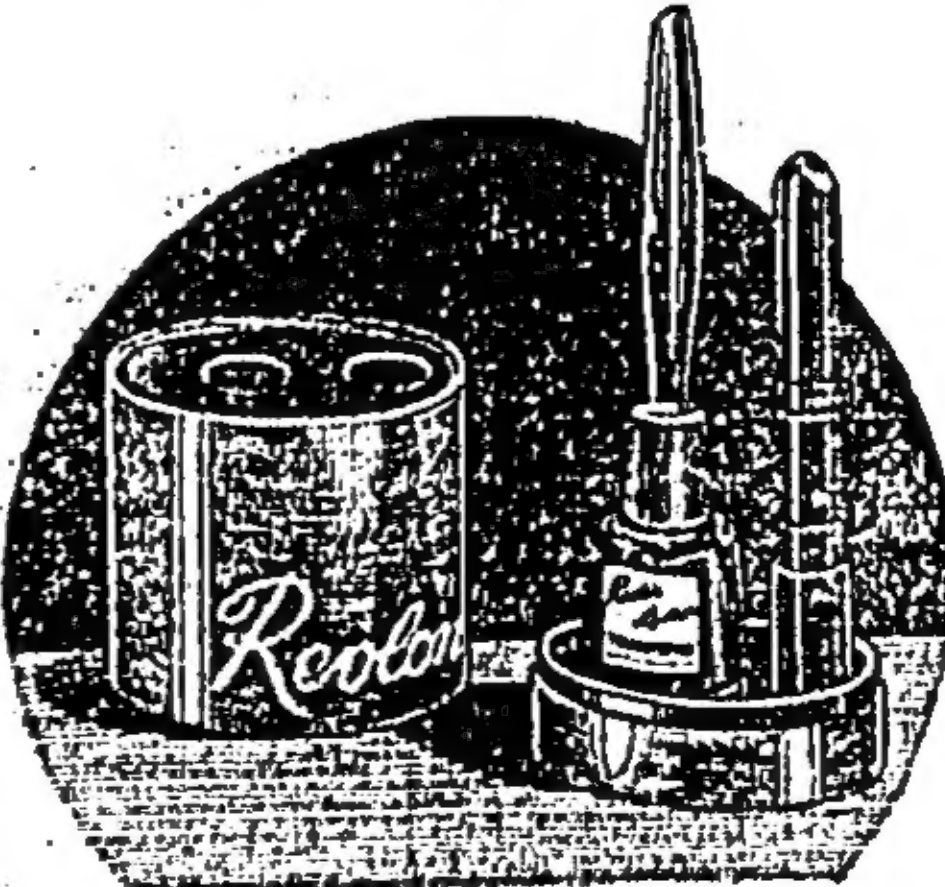
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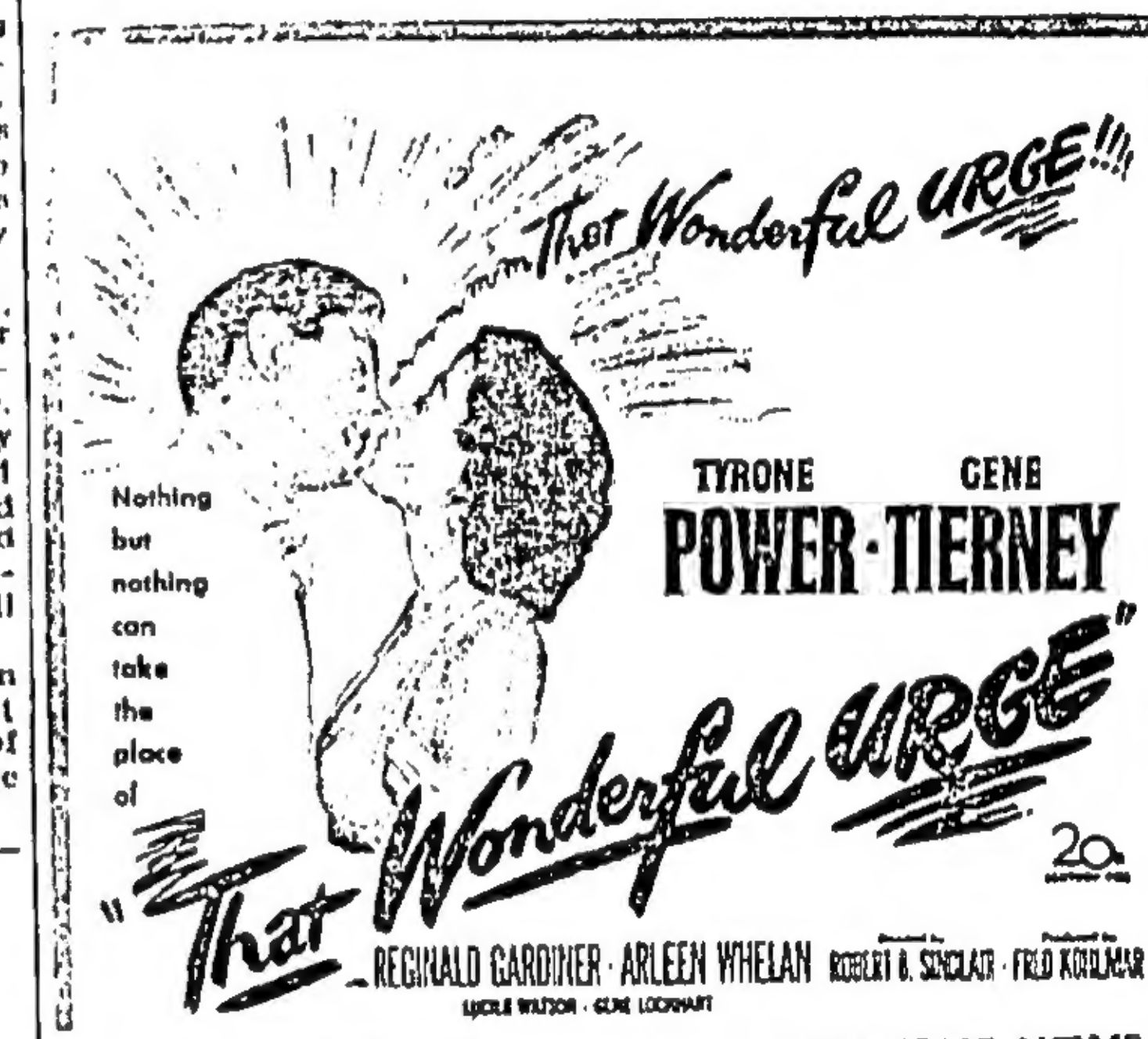


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10.50 NEWSREEL (LONDON RELAY).

11.15 WEATHER REPORT.

10.16 THE "SMALL HOUSE, ALLINGTON."
By Anthony Trollope.

11.30 THE GLASGOW ORPHEUS.
The Glasgow Orpheus, conducted by Sir Hugh Robertson.

All the Great Evening (Tynan). The Lord of the Hymn (Adapted by Webber). O Light of Life (Bach).

11.15 **ABC MIDLAND LIGHT OR-**
CHESTRA.
 11.45 **COMMONWEALTH SURVEY.**
 12.00 **THE NEWS.**
 12.10 **NEWS ANALYSIS.**
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 6.00 **'AMERICAN LETTER.'**
 By Alsalair Cooke.
 6.15 **GLA CONCERT.**
 Annie Ziegler, Webster Booth,
 Rawicz and Landauer, Mark Lub-
 bock and his orchestra. Introduced
 by Christopher Stone.
 7.00 **THE NEWS.**
 7.10 **NEWS ANALYSIS.**
 7.15 **AMERICAN LETTER AND HIS**
CAMEO ORCHESTRA.
 7.45 **'GENERALLY SPEAKING.'**
 8.00 **FROM THE EDITORIALS.**

Stanford Robinson Gwen Cately
(soprano).

7.00 THE NEWS.
7.10 NEWS ANALYSIS.
7.15 SPORTING RECORD.
7.30 MELODY MIXTURE.
7.45 'GENERALLY SPEAKING.'
8.00 FLIGHT THE EDITORIALS.
8.10 'OLD TIME ANNOUNCE-
MENTS.'
8.15 DANCE MUSIC.
(Gramophone records).
8.30 'BOGS TO READ.'
8.45 FILM TALK.
9.00 THE NEWS.
9.10 HOME NEWS FROM BRI-
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8.00 FROM THE EDITORIALS.
9.00 PROGRAMME ANNOUNCE-
MENTS.
9.15 LISTENERS' CHOICE.
9.30 THE NEWS.
9.45 HOME NEWS FROM BRIT-
TAIN.
9.55 GALA CONCERT.
10.00 His Majesty's RADIO NEWSREEL.
10.15 RING UP THE CURTAIN.
BBC OPERA ORCHESTRA AND
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Forster. Family Hall. (soprano).
10.45 WILLIAMS. Clement (baritone). In a
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12.00 THE NEWS.
12.10 NEWS ANALYSIS.

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'I'd punish the wife-stealers'

YOU can send a man to prison if he knocks a child's body about; he goes scot-free if he ruins its home, steals its mother, twists its mind, and permanently damages its emotional life.

Or it may be a woman going unpunished by the criminal law for doing the same harm to a child. Public opinion does not greatly care.

In 1947 more than 60,000 divorces were granted in England. Not all, of course, involved a responsible Reckoning. An average of one child in each family out of four from whom children suffered through such wrecked marriages.

This takes no account of broken homes where the legal proceedings were taken, or where separations were arranged through the magistrates' court.

The figure might probably be nearer 100,000 for one year alone.

I have a letter in front of me from a broken-hearted man. How much he is to blame, if at all, for what has happened is beside the point I am making.

says Canon HUGH WARNER

The fact is that a man of 40 stole the affection and loyalty of his 30-year-old wife, and for the five years of his marriage she concealed her misconduct.

Long and recurrent periods of "sulking" were the only indication that something was wrong.

The husband writes, "I absolutely worshipped and trusted her, lived for her and our child of four, denied myself everything for them." His child is forced to live away from him with his wife's parents, in all but name an orphan.

His home is broken because divorce proceedings, forced on him by his wife's insistence, have left him bankrupt.

His work for his family has ruined his health. He sums up: "Now we have no future. My wife doesn't care what happens, though I have almost crawled to her offering complete forgiveness."

Shattered life

DAMAGES done to the child's life by the divorce proceedings, the shattered life of the child or the essential mother's love which a four-year-old needs.

For many men, damages merely the payment for goods received. Impairment without the option of a fine would be some protection for other boys in the future. Can we not demand a change in the law for the sake of the children?

Or does no one care enough? Two experienced teachers, who have had to deal with a child of divorced parents, who is a problem child.

In fact, the child's parents, father, mother, and "uncle" or "auntie". Every year adds to the child's bewilderment. The poison of hatred is injected directly or indirectly by each of the "trial" against the child's own parents.

Yet the child is fond of the parent he is expected to hate. Competition for his affection, feeling odd among children at school who come from normal homes, memories of domestic

rows which led to the final break—all these flood in to destroy the emotional stability of the child.

Yet "uncle" (or "auntie") is never penalised, seldom made to feel the shame with which normal-minded people regard them. He (or she) is still fully accepted in the golf club, the bowling green, the "pub," or the tennis tour.

Future failure

THESE children grow up. They will get married. What understanding of home life, its harmonies, and its beauties will they be able to bring to the making of their own home? In 90 percent of the marriage breakdowns I have met one or both of the parties have come from a broken or unhappy childhood home.

No your co-respondent not only shatters a home and breaks the heart of a child, he is also directly responsible for another failure 20-30 years later.

Are we really prepared to accept this? Or will there be such a contrast of revulsion such a revulsion in our common attitude to guilty parties and their cruelty to children that a demand will be made for some change in the law?

Protect by law

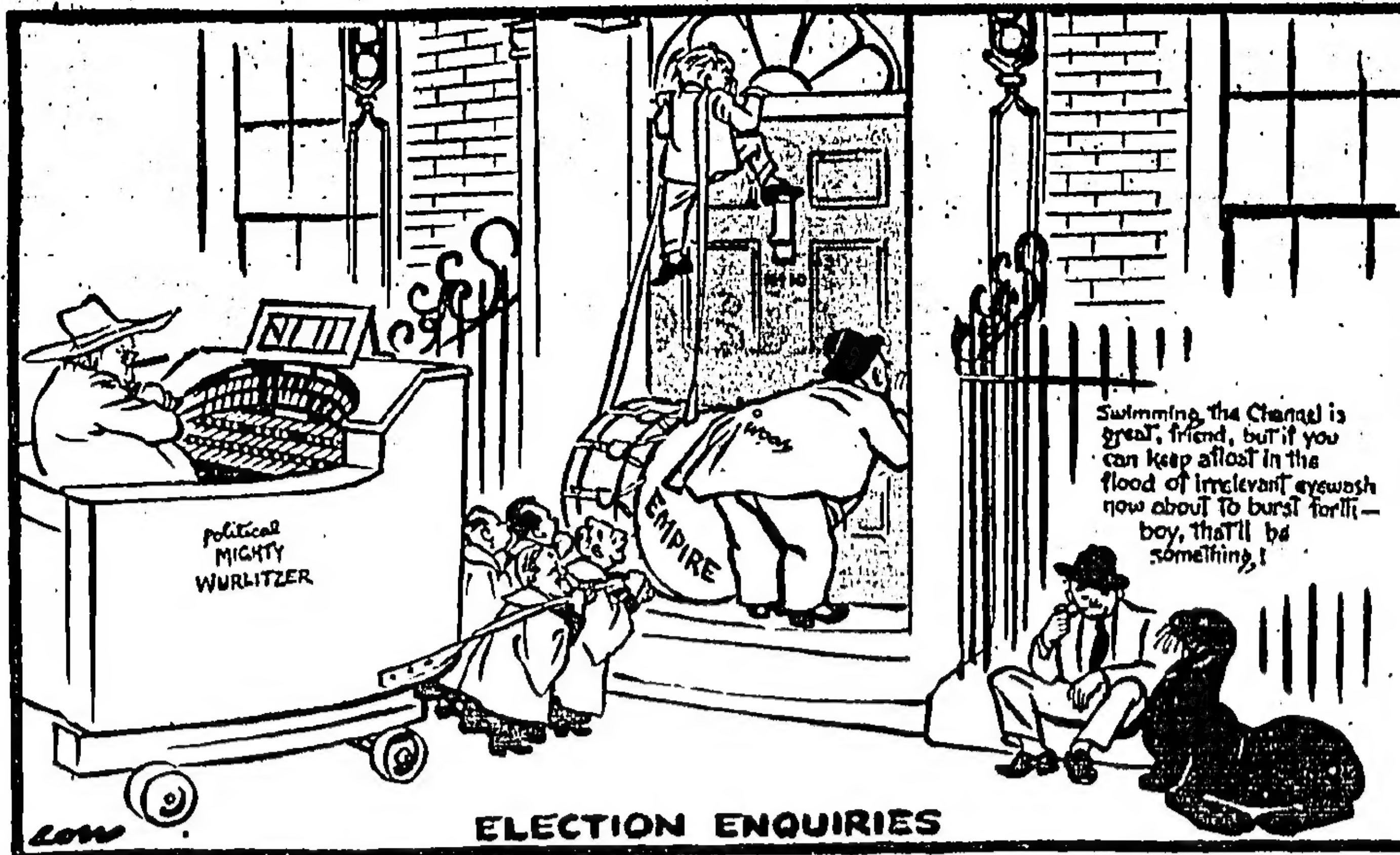
WHY should not divorce be made illegal? He made illegal for couples who have children dependent on them?

The co-respondent, who is responsible for the divorce, is not a possible candidate for marriage. The parent concerned would probably turn attention to a more profitable quarry.

The female of the species would realise that the not uncommon form of blackmail, deliberately having a child by her lover would be useless as a lever.

The happiness of the legitimate children would thus receive some sort of protection and the tragedy of the illegitimate child would be prevented.

(London Express Service)



SATURDAY
AT THE
DIAMOND
HORSESHOE

IT'S TOUGH on the HAMBURGER MAN

A FEW blocks away from where I live and let live on the East River Drive they're digging a big hole, and even finally Allah and the atom willing will become the diggings of the United Nations.

Now, as everybody knows, there are two kinds of people in the world: those who stand around watching them. The latter are known to the trade as "sidewalk superintendents," and the most interesting of the peeping tomcats in my neighbourhood is an old boy named Charlie Grainger.

It was a sunny afternoon a few weeks back when Mr

Grainger took up the station next to mine on the rim of the excavation, and I couldn't help but notice his Herbert Hoover neckband and high button shoes.

That's a pretty sizable hunk of hole," said Mr. Grainger by way of opening, signalling to the steam shovel to move a

"That's part of it," I said, "but the chief reason is the depression. I see creeping up on us. It's my theory that when people are worried about bread, they won't lay it on the line for circuses."

"Son," said Mr. Grainger, "you've got a good head on your

feet it over here. According to the Dow-Jones index, this country is facing a big depression."

"I don't know this Dow Jones," said his father, but any friend of yours is a friend of mine. Besides, you figure to know what you're talking about, seeing as how you've been hanging out with professors for the past four years."

The next morning, the old man cancelled the billboards on which he had been advertising his roadside stand for years, and that night switched off his neon sign at eight o'clock. And a week later, he laid off most of the girls who had been carrying trays out to the cars.

Encouraged by these savings, he next eliminated his famous picnilli sauce, stopped throwing the stale buns away, and substituted cheap meat for the U.S. Prime he had always used. His only capital investment was for a new-fangled gadget, guaranteed to get 20 slices out of an onion.

Well, his son's predictions had all come true. In fact, there was one day when not a single car drove up to the stand.

"Thanks for tipping me off," said the old man to his son that evening. "There sure is one helluva depression in this country."

By Billy Rose

C.V.R. Thompson A PLAN FOR PLANNERS

NEW YORK. GEORGE Salmon, the American who sells the bands which go on cigars, has thought up a new way to boost Britain's dollar sales.

His idea, approved by the Marshall planners, will be put up to Mr. Harold Wilson, President of the Board of Trade, during his visit to the U.S.

Mr. Salmon's plan is to pick out a department store in every American town with more than 10,000 population and advertise it as "the store of imports."

Every month each store would put on a sale of goods, suitable to the season, from Britain and the Marshall plan countries.

Stocks would be stored in a central warehouse so that any shop selling out could quickly get new supplies.

And goods would be exported to America on a consignment basis. That is to say, any not sold could be returned to the country of origin.

Because the middleman—which is what Mr. Salmon is in his own business—would be cut out, prices would be competitive with American-made goods.

Mr. Salmon thinks his plan would boost the sale of foreign products in America by more than £30,000,000 a year.

HOUSING: In Chicago, most atom-conscious city in the U.S. at present, architects are advertising two "atom-bomb resistant" houses. They have reinforced concrete roofs which, though useless for new bombs, will, it is claimed, give protection against radio-activity.

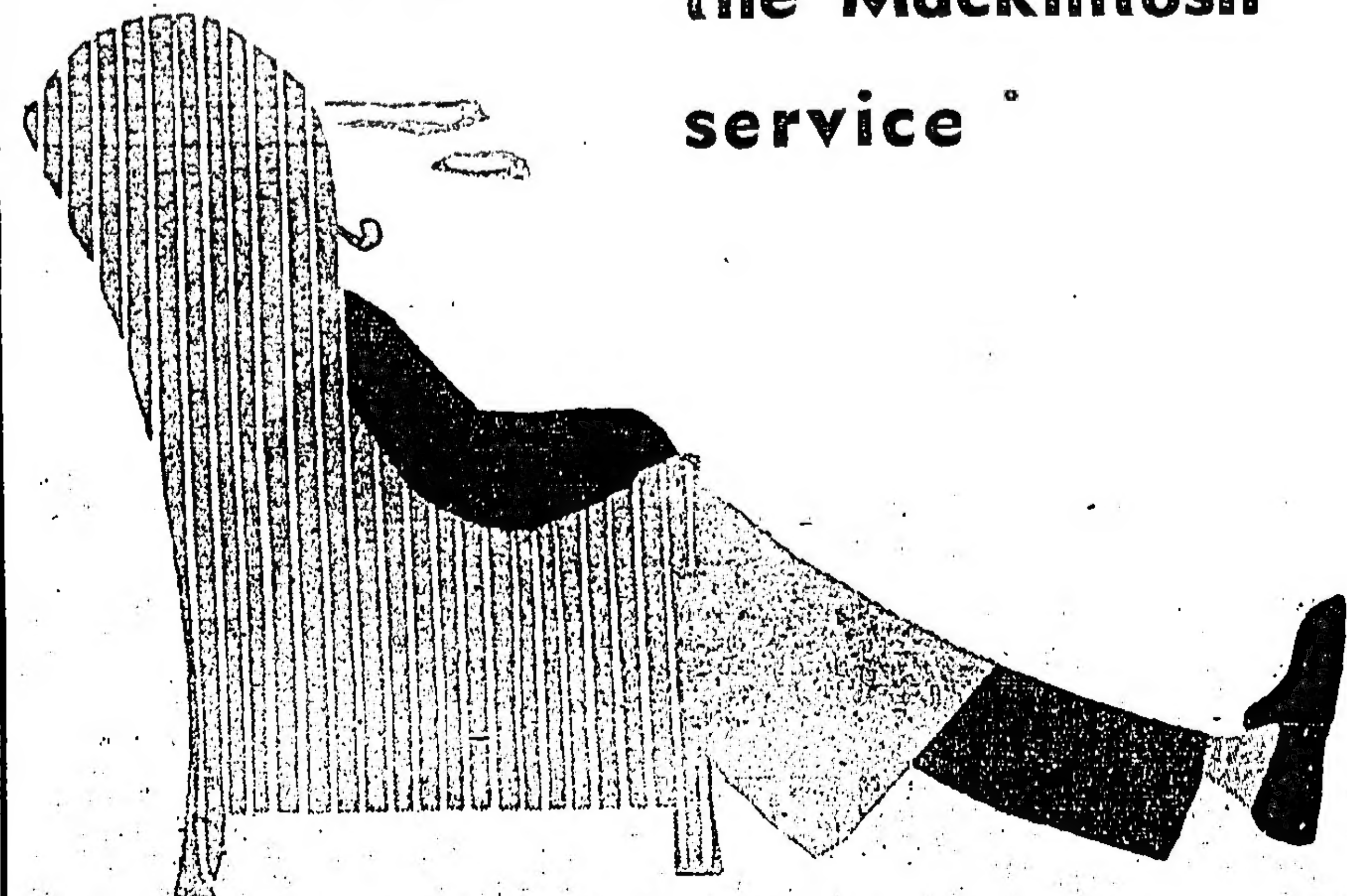
WEATHER: Every winter there is rivalry between Florida and California over which has the warmer weather. A freakish streak ended this winter's argument. In Florida's Miami they shivered on the coldest day (48 degrees) in 38 years. And in California it was so unseasonably hot that film star Joan Crawford was overcome and taken to hospital.

SMOKING: By New Year's Day, predicts Washington, Americans will have smoked 358,000 million cigarettes in 12 months—170 packets of 20 at 1s. 6d. a time for every adult in the country.

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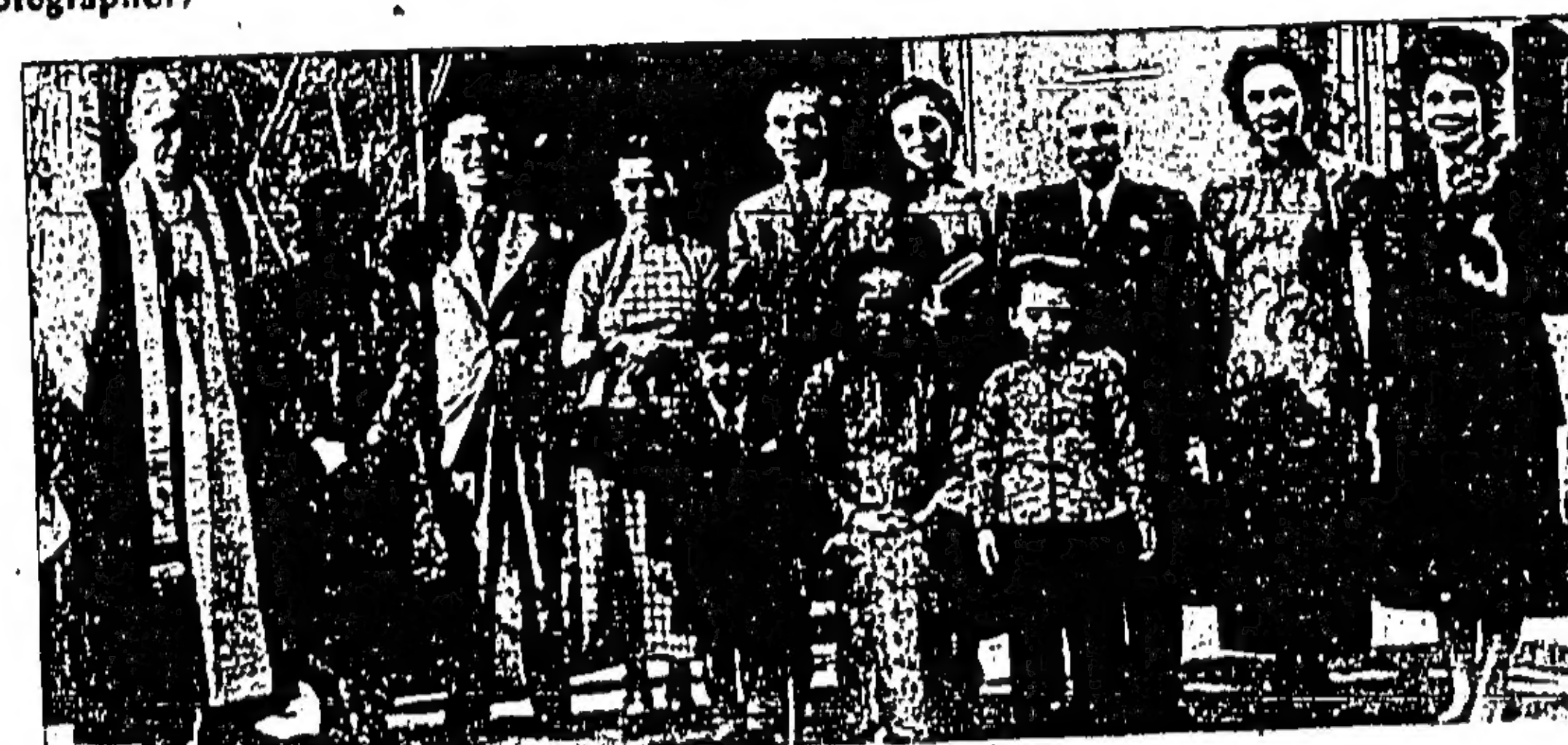
ST Andrew's Ball, held at the Peninsula Hotel last week, was a brilliant social event, and Scots residents and their guests had a very enjoyable time. On the left is a scene in the ballroom during a dance. Above: the Chieftain of St Andrew's Society, Mr D. S. Robb, escorting Lady Grantham to supper, followed by HE the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, escorting Mrs Robb. Below: the Chieftain quaffs the Barley Broo. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



GROUP picture taken after the wedding at St John's Cathedral last week of Mr Robert Lee Tan and Miss Eva Linda Lee. (Ming Yuen)



HE the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, accompanied by Mr A. W. Frisby, Director of Education in Singapore, and Mr T. R. Rowell, Hongkong's Director of Education, inspecting the Kowloon Dock Memorial School last week. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



PICTURE taken outside the Bishop's Chapel last Saturday after the wedding of Mr Eric Wong Tapo and Miss Julia Lam.



DUTCH children photographed with Father Nicholas, whom they welcomed at Queen's Pier last Saturday. On the right, the launch conveying Father Nicholas is seen coming alongside the pier. The children received gifts at a party which followed. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



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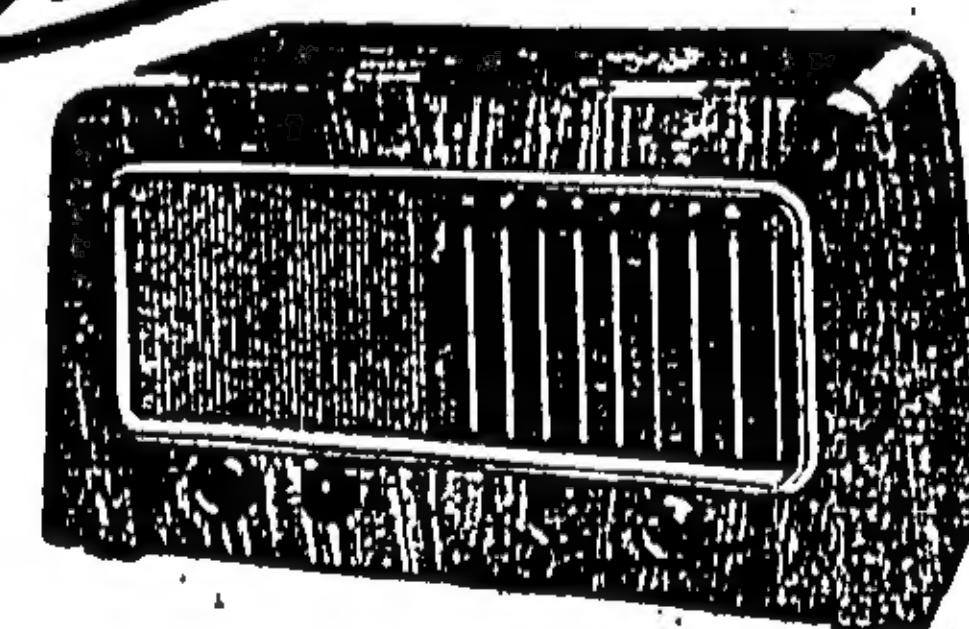
THE Hon. Fernando Lopez, Vice-President elect of the Philippine Republic, and Mrs Lopez (fourth and fifth from left), at a party given in their honour at the Hongkong Hotel last week. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)

BELOW: Mr Wong Sau-san and Miss Tung Mang-ching, who were married recently. (Lido Studio)



MR and Mrs J. F. Follett with their daughter, Anthoa Marilyn, who was christened at St John's Cathedral recently. (Mea Cheung)

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Hands Demand Extra Care

To keep cuticle in a soft, healthy condition, lubricate it with hand cream. Dig nails right into the cream, work it in around cuticle.

By HELEN FOLLETT

THIS is the time of year when hands need extra special attention. They get chapped easily and then they look grubby. But there is another thought to keep in mind, hands can get old looking long before their time. They will if they are not petted and patted with creams, have their regular quota of lotions each day.

Finger nails, too, will show if they are neglected, so don't fancy that when you have applied the polish, you have done all your duty by them. Finger nails are beautiful, delicate, beautiful, perfectly designed and utilitarian. The nails of an infant are like tiny rose petals. Little girls should be taught early in life to keep these petals glowing and smooth to pass the orange wood stick under the eaves each day for the sake of cleanliness. Grown-ups can be picked up from door knobs and stair railings.

Brittle nails may be caused by a diet deficiency, nothing definite is known about that. It has

been determined though that daily friction with a nail cream will do much to correct the condition. Contact with strong cleaning agents will cause the talons to break. If you are the boss of the domestic works, protect hands and nails by wearing rubber gloves when heavy work is done.

Blue nails show that circulation is sluggish. If you observe this state of affairs do deep breathing exercises, get out of doors and huff it. Thickened nails are the result of neglect and contact with dust.

When washing your hands, while they are in the soapy water, run a nail white pencil under the eaves. This is easier and quicker than using nail white and the orange wood stick.

To keep the cuticle in a soft, healthy condition, lubricate it often with a good hand cream. Dig your fingers right into the cream, then work it in around cuticle.

by SUSAN DEACON

Wool jersey is favourite
material for winter

DESPITE the new novelty woollen fabrics in the shops wool jersey continues to be the most popular material for winter wear.

It is inexpensive, is sold in a wide range of new colours, it is warm, and there is plenty of it.

There is no limit to its use in a woman's wardrobe, quite apart from dresses and jumper suits.

An odd skirt made from wool jersey draped fashion, but with 2in. wide, unpressed pleats instead of bulk gathers would be a useful addition to your winter wardrobe.

This would take from 2½ to 3 yards of material. Stitch the material on to a 3in. wide waistband.

Matching stole

To be very smart you could make a matching stole in the same material.

When making the skirt try to ease the main fallers of the material to the centre back and centre front, leaving smaller, unpressed pleats over the hips to avoid hip bulk.

A cap-sleeved bolero in light blue or red would be attractive made from wool jersey and worn over a long-sleeved woollen dress. This would be simple to make at home.

For festive occasions the bolero could be scattered with tiny jet beads or black sequins.

Easy to make

Hats in wool jersey were shown at the last Paris collection, and these are easy to make at home.

Hat No. 1 is made from two flat pieces of material measuring 10ins at the base, 15½ins at the top, and 10ins deep. The base measurement should be adjusted if your head is very small or large. The material is stitched along three sides.



The hooded scarf, which is hand-knitted, has bands of Fair Isle round the hood and at each end of the fringed scarf. It takes roughly 5½ozs. of wool, plus odd coloured balls for the Fair Isle.

'Perfect' iron

I have been looking into the possibilities of the steam iron for the average household.

I find it perfect for valuing and pressing, and it dispenses with the need for dampers, but you still need to iron over a cloth on material which shines.

The iron holds about ¼ pint of water, which lasts for about half an hour's ironing.

Recipes

On a cold night, when making cream, make it with left-over coffee—instead of water or milk—and add a dash of milk. Costs 2s. 6d. a beaker when bought in a cafe.

For a cocktail party, peel big walnut halves and put them together with anchovy paste.

For breakfast, fry slices of apple in brown sugar, cinnamon and fat. Perfect with sausages.

—(London Express Service)

Knitwear
With A
Difference

SCOTTISH classic knit-wear—short-sleeved sweaters with high or low-button cardigans, and long-sleeved, round-neck styles—will again be a best seller in every market this Christmas. The reason? Those "extras" which give a touch of difference. Interesting stitches and yarns, detail of neckline or sleeve, are used by Scottish manufacturers for these special styles which still retain their characteristic tailored simplicity.

Pure cashmere, for example, may have handwoven dressmaking detail, English sleeves, or deep, pointed welts, giving a close fitting midriff line. Heavier botany yarns for outdoor sweaters have new stitches which give a hand-knit appearance. Deep armholes ensure ease of movement for active sports, and there are throat hugging collars and necklines for cold, windy days. Long-torso jenkins are hand-knitted in Continental stitches, reminiscent of pre-war Viennese knitwear while soft angora yarns give a furry surface that does not shed.

Slipper Time Again

Slippers have for years been a popular choice for Christmas gifts. In the United Kingdom more pairs of both men's and women's slippers have been sold in the few weeks before Christmas than during the whole of the rest of the year.

For women, medium or low wedges are most useful for houses where always the low wedge or flat heel for the bedroom. The warm sheering-lined style, are proving universally popular, while closely following are slippers made of various fabrics such as corduroy, velvet, brocade, tartan, rayon, printed fabrics and satin.

They offer admirable alternatives to women who are tired of leather or felt.

Head-waiter as
fashion censor

PROPRIETORS of tulle and feathers are causing a fashion row in smart dining and wining haunts.

The short evening dress has been generally accepted but the excessive use of tulle and feathers is causing a row.

It is a matter for English proprietors to try to educate women to wear the restaurant hat, unless for the fashion-conscious to show the latest dining hats from Paris if women who follow fashion feel like naughty schoolgirls in high heels when they go into their favourite restaurants and are told to remove their offending headgear.

It is time that milliners and West End restaurateurs got together over this fashion problem. It is unfair to conduct the fashion tug-of-war over the heads of their mutual clients. The odd part about the argument is this—that an occasional model does manage to pass the scrutiny of these gastronomical fashion censors.

Hugh Hefersford tells me that a little creation of his in black tulle and pearls slipped on to the Berkeley floor the other night.

I have worn a sequin cap in the Savoy restaurant and sat quaking every time the head waiter walked by.

Bonnets & boaters

THE daytime bonnet is back in several versions, trimmed with veils, flowers and feathers. Many are inspired by the Quaker cap.

Attractive sailors have a new kind of veil, which lifts down below the chin in a ruff for eating drinking or smoking purposes, instead of making that rather unsightly bunchy appearance on the forehead.

Another new shape is the flower-pot, lovely when decorated with a single flower or pompon on the top.

Fresh way with flowers is to use them as a flat trimming. Love-in-a-mist, snowdrops and moss roses will be used, and bright yellow daffodils which hold a whisper of spring.

To go with the tulip haircut there is the tulip boater trimmed at the back with tulip petals made in all the tulip shades of yellow, red pink and deep purple.

Paris Woolies.
—A gay
knitted set
for chilly days,
designed in
Paris and
knitted in Eng-
lish wool.

by
Eileen
Ascroft

New friend for delicate skins in the cold weather is a blustery weather lotion, which soothes and protects, with or without make-up (coming shortly).

For the dark glowing shades of red—peony, carnation and burgundy—so popular this winter, there is a new shade of rouge and lipstick called velvet grape. Winter-day beauty friends are rainproof mascaras, anti-shine creams for cold noses and a good bleaching cream to get rid of the last traces of summer.

Family fur

MANY mothers with "Please lend me your fur for the party" daughters would be amused to see that Princess Margaret borrowed her mother's lovely ermine cape for the Film Command performance.

The Queen wore the cape at the Variety Command Performance the week before.

Princess Margaret started two new styles for teen-agers when she attended the big millinery show at the Dorchester.

Since then at least one manufacturer has put black party dresses for the junior miss in hand for Christmas and there has been a positive rash of ermine tails breaking out on hats, lapels and neckties.

1951 baby creche

IMPORTANT feature of the 1951 Festival of Britain Exhibition will be the latest thing in baby creches. For



under-sevens whose parents don't want to drag them round the Exhibition it will have snack bar, trained nurses and a large selection of toys and pastimes.

Most interesting feature of the Homes and Gardens section for the small space dweller will be the dual-purpose rooms kitchen-dining-room bed-sitting-room and the nursery that grows up with the child.

Serve yourself

I UNDERSTAND that the serve-yourself clothing stores are spreading in America, due to the fantastic popularity of Kleins, the huge 8-storey block store in Union Square which sells every kind of clothing except shoes cheaper and in greater quantity than any other store.

Shoppers pick out their choices from the rails and then queue up for the fitting rooms, where they can try on as many things as they like, and only buy at the end of it if they wish.

We may see this idea in London before long. I know that several of the big stores have sent buyers over to look at Kleins, especially now that self-service grocery stores are becoming better known.

Brainwaves

THE firm which makes up one fur glove to match the one you did not lose.

The manufacturer who has produced a bridal trio—wedding dress and two bridesmaids' gowns—for under £10.

A Sleek Line For Winter

By Joan Erskine

LONDON. THE line for winter is a slim one. All the collections of the London Model House Group seen recently emphasised this trend. The huge coats, with their vast collars and ample sleeves fell open to show slender sheath-like dresses; over-skirts came off to show straight underskirts; suit jackets, whether belted or plain, were worn over extremely tight skirts.

Tight Skirt

This automatically shortened the length by a couple of inches at the best of times it requires skill to walk well in a tight skirt, but if the skirt is also very long, it becomes more of a gymnastic feat!

The leading fashion houses showed response to the devaluation of the £. Most of them have had cables from New York increasing orders already placed. Some of the "Big Eleven" creative designers have

shown out models and will show them in America. And it is still noticeable that all overseas buyers, whether from the dollar areas or not, are chiefly interested in British suits and tailored dresses.

Dorville showed a very pleasant collection recently. Every model was elegant and wearable. The highlight, as always, was on suits and dresses, and it was an all-wool show.

A typical suit is illustrated here. It is in brown and white herringbone tweed, with very narrow ties at neck and waist, with pine cones in place of the more usual tassels. A black wool suit was almost identical, but had pom-pom ties instead.

French Porter's Blouse A French porter's blouse provided the inspiration for several two-piece outfits, which women are going to like.

A two-piece in lichen green consisted of a bloused porter jacket, slightly longer at the back than at the front, split at the sides, buttoned with rows of small buttons, and gathered in tightly at the waist. It was in corduroy, and was worn over a very straight wool skirt.

Another, in dark grey jersey, was lined with royal blue, and hooded, and yet another was in light navy bengaline. These are the most adaptable blouse-cum-jackets we have seen for a long time. In a rough tweed or corduroy, they will serve as wind-breakers in the country; in fine outfit or velvet they will do duty as a town suit; and in grassgreen or bengaline, or some other elaborate fabric, they will make an unusual evening or cocktail jacket.

Button-through Dresses

There were several button-through dresses—one in dark grey, a most black jersey with a deep curved white shawl collar. Another had a rouleau fringe on the shawl collar. As a change from the classic plain grey flannel dress, Dorville showed a grey and white striped one with inverted pleat and fullness at the front. The neckline was finished with a crisp white bow.

I noticed that many of the dresses had deep cuffed cap sleeves that many of the side drapes and pleated panels could be removed, and that ruffled necklines and sleeves are back in favour.

Have Women
The Right

MIAMI, Fla. FALSES are firmly entrenched with the American female and are here to stay, survey in Miami would indicate.

Most of the girls questioned by the Miami Herald admitted they bolster their bosoms with sponge rubber or something similar. And despite the "tut-tut" from Hollywood's recently-formed Anti-Falsie League, they intend to keep on doing so.

"A woman has as much right to pad her front as a man has to pad his shoulders," Roberta Korb of a modelling agency said. "Many a woman has been disappointed when her man takes his coat off."

Marion Johnson of another modelling agency called the "koon-bolsters" "wonderful things...they've saved many situations."

The men, however, aren't too sure just what falsies will lead to. One questioned by the Herald said "they'll be wearing false faces next."

The last word came from Alma Anderson who said "If a woman wears a girdle to pull herself in, why can't she wear something to push herself out?"



This smart winter suit (from Dorville) is in brown and white herringbone tweed with narrow ties at neck and waist with original pine-cones instead of the more usual tassels.

FROM ROBERT PIGUET

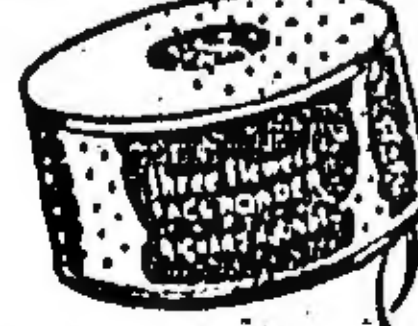
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PRACTICAL HOMECRAFT

Robb JOINS THE CHILDREN'S CHECK-UP How (b)right is your 6-year-old?

To help you make an estimate of the progress of your six-year-old... Page 7 presents the third of the check-off charts for parents.

The personal touch is given this week by Auriol, six-year-old redhead daughter of actress Phyllis Calvert, pictured on right. She lives in a Chelsea flat, counts up to 100 in French—and Phyllis Calvert's ticks take you the rest. ROBB'S sketches take you into her wardrobe—because this is the age when a child begins to "fancy herself."



Two-way American mack—on the left, the other bright tartan

HEALTHY. With strongly an individual after one year at school, the six-year-old boy or girl's standard height is 43 ins to 44 ins. tall, weight, 3 st. 3 lb., and has a chest measurement of 23 in. (Most likely, illness—according to medical statistics—is measles.)

Can be disciplined only through action and example, not through argument. Best age for memory feats. Learns simple poetry after two repetitions. Provided it is action poetry.

Has 20 milk teeth, two of which have had to be filled. Needs 1,600 calories of food per day. That is, roughly, milk, bread, fruit, vegetables plus meat at dinner-time, and a similar type protein at tea supper.

Begin to join letters together in script writing. Needs 12 to 13 hours sleep in the 24.

No sense of co-operation with others. Work and play are quite in divided in effort and outlook. Knows up to 8 times multiplication table. Can add and subtract.

Teach the girl action and story only. Cannot learn to learn without making a special effort personally. Encourage children to read, yellow, and green.

Still uses a toy horse, emotional. Is and does not account herself with the school for a body. Not with the teacher.

Is a very poor painter and large sheet of paper will extend and will have a picture of nature or imagination.

Figure and small every object. Dances excellently. Both legs and girls. With best difficult style and keep in perfect time with music. Solo not group dances.

If the child is of athletic build with a good body, feet and well-shaped limbs, can do both rope and wall bars.

Prefer running games and can catch and throw small ball accurately up to a distance of 15 feet. Shows in play acting and singing. Mimes now and simple plays, provided all characters in the play have good strong, continuous action.

Keenly aware of God, angels, fairies and demons. Will bring any knowledge of the supernatural world into everyday life and conversation.



Button through woody dressing gown, in blue with big pockets.



Her favourite. Check plaited skirt tailored blouse in cream flannel.



The trousers are nice but I don't like the woolly. It's green.

NEW WAY TO TREAT STIFF NECK

By H. N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

STIFF neck is one of the most common of the disorders affecting the muscles. It usually results from exposure to cold or a chilling wind and can sometimes be quite painful.

Recently a treatment for this condition has been suggested which seems to give prompt relief by relaxing the stiff and painful muscles. It makes use of ethyl chloride (or freezing solution) spray.

Sweeping Motion

In carrying out the treatment, the ethyl chloride spray is applied with a sweeping motion to prevent extreme chilling of the muscle. Before carrying out the treatment, the muscles are felt to find just which areas are tender. Then the patient is seated in a chair, and with the ethyl chloride held one or two feet away, the stream is directed to the skin at an angle.

The direction of the sweeping motion depends upon the areas involved. For example, if the large muscle known as the trapezius is affected, the spray is directed inward and upward over the shoulder and neck. If the muscles over the upper part of the back are involved, the motion is outward and downward.

The motions are repeated evenly in the same direction for a few seconds, then stopped, and repeated for a few more seconds.

Painful Muscles

During the treatment, the painful muscles are gently stretched by light pressure against the head. Between applications, the patient moves his head and neck actively, but no movement should be carried out which causes distress. The treatment is continued until the pain and tenderness disappear. However, if the response to treatment is slow, it should not be carried on for longer than 10 or 15 minutes.

Twelve patients were treated in this way, and nine of them were relieved after one treatment. In other cases, two or three were necessary. It may be found that the treatment has to be repeated once or twice a day for several days. If the condition is chronic, that is, if it has continued over a long period of time, the ethyl chloride is not of any great help. Here injections of a local pain-relieving substance into the tender areas are more likely to be of help.

A New Way Of Cooking Chicken and Duck

By ALICE DENHOFF

A FINE hand with fish or fowl is a good kitchen talent at any time. But the long session of inordinately high meat prices has made it almost mandatory to become a fish and fowl expert if family is to dine without getting into debt. Roast chicken is nice, so is fricassee, and fried chicken is a top grade treat, but how about making the family just dote on chicken for dinner by serving up something a little different, say this version of baked chicken or a tangy, tasty, toothsome chicken paprika?

Baked Chicken

For the baked chicken, get 2 fryers (1½-2½ lb. each). Split the chickens in halves. Rub well with garlic salt, and lightly with dry mustard. Simmer together ½ c. boiling water, ¼ c. margarine and one sliced, skinned tomato to make a sauce. Brown chicken to quickly on both sides under broiler heat. Place in an open baking pan, and roast in hot oven (400 F.) about 15 min. to the pound until cooked through, basting from time to time with prepared sauce. This fine fare should be served piping hot to do it justice.

To prepare chicken paprika use 2 fryers (2-2½ lb. or a 4 lb. fowl). Prepare chicken; joint and cut into serving pieces; season with salt and pepper to taste. Mince 2 white onions quite fine, saute in halved brown in ¼ c. table fat. Add ½ c. sliced mushrooms, 2 tsp. paprika, 1 tsp. celery salt and 2 c. water. Bring to boiling

point; add the chicken. Turn heat low; cover and simmer until tender. Remove chicken to serving dish. Add one c. sour cream to sauce in kettle. Reheat; pour over chicken, sprinkle with minced parsley. Serves 4-6.

Chicken à la tartare is a nice recipe for 2, a good choice for the bride, since this is a dish that is different without being too difficult for the beginner cook. Clean a broiler and spit in halves. Place in a frying pan in which ¼ lb. margarine has been melted. Chop 4 parsley sprigs, one small onion, ¼ lb. mushrooms and a garlic clove; add to melted fat with salt and pepper. Cover the frying pan and allow the chicken to simmer for 15 min. turning occasionally so that the flavour is absorbed.

The chicken is then dipped in bread crumbs and broiled until well browned. The chicken meat will be delicately flavoured with the mushrooms, onion, parsley and garlic combination, while the precooking assures tenderness of the meat.

DUCK with orange may be an ordinary combination but not when you roast it with this orange and onion stuffing. Remove and wash giblets from a 5 to 6 lb. duck dressed weight. Push back skin around the neck of duck and cut off neck. Cut off wing tips and remove pin feathers with tweezers. Wash duck thoroughly, inside and out, with cold water. Dry carefully.

Day-Old Bread

Cut enough day-old bread into ½ inch cubes to make 2 c. (about 8 slices). Peel and separate into sections enough oranges to make 2 c. halved orange sections, about 4 medium oranges. Combine bread cubes, orange sections,

one c. coarsely diced onion, 2 tsp. melted fat, ¼ tsp. salt, ½ tsp. celery salt and ¼ tsp. pepper. Mix well, tossing lightly with kitchen fork. Lightly fill body cavity of duck with the stuffing. Insert several small poultry pins from one side of vent to the other. Lace opening with light twine.

Place duck breast side up on a rack in a shallow baking pan about 10 x 14 inches, and not more than 3 inches deep. Place in slow oven (325 F.) and cook 1½ to 2 hours until a meat thermometer placed in the stuffing records an interior temperature of 165 F. Cook giblets and make gravy if desired.

Left-Over Duck

If left-over duck proves a problem, turn it into a down-right asset. One c. finely diced left-over duck, or even one c. diced cooked giblets is the prime ingredient in a recipe for a tangy, satisfying main dish casserole for 4. Cook 8 oz. broad noodles in boiling, salted water until just tender. Drain and add 2 tsp. duck fat, 2 tsp. poppy seeds, ¼ tsp. powdered rosemary and ¼ tsp. salt.

Meanwhile, cook one c. finely diced onion over moderate heat in 4 tsp. duck fat for about 5 min. or until golden brown. Add one quart cooked sauerkraut and one c. diced cooked giblets or left-over duck meat, mixing thoroughly. Place 1/3 of the noodles in bottom of a well-greased baking dish, 10 x 6 x 2 inches. Add half sauerkraut-duck mixture, then another layer of noodles, and the rest of the sauerkraut mixture. Top with remaining noodles. Sprinkle with paprika, to give the final Magyar touch, to a dish with Hungarian overtones. Bake in moderate oven (350 F.) until noodles are lightly browned, about 30 min. The casserole should be served immediately.

Give Your Furs Proper Care

By ELEANOR ROSS

THERE'S no doubt about it. This is the year to invest in a fur coat for never-were styles so varied, techniques so improved or values greater. Yes, a fur coat is an investment, and if it is to yield long term dividends it must be well and carefully handled.

As to values, it still holds good that it is better to choose the finest grade of muskrat than a poor mink, and that for the one fur coat, the style should be conservative, yet so cut that it can take gracefully to remodeling. But whether it be mink or marmot, the same handling is in order. Do not stroke fur to smooth it, but give it a good shaking. Hold the garment up from the hem, then turn it all around and give it a final shaking. Don't compromise on size. Choose a coat that is just right. If too small it will split or crack at the seams soon enough, if too large it will lose its shape and soon look unsightly.

Avoid Strain

Dispose the coat carefully when sitting down. It should be opened and pulled up slightly so as to avoid any strain in the back seams. Women car drivers must give special attention to their fur coats if they wear them while driving. They should avoid slipping into the car from one side opposite to where they intend to sit, as the friction between the fur and the upholstery is decidedly detrimental to the fur and may cause an early deterioration of the pelt. Often the entire back of the coat will suffer. The wise woman uses either an old fur coat or a cloth one if she does a lot of driving.

Treat your fur coat to a special hanger and a garment bag of its own and try to avoid it being crushed in the closet. Hang fur pieces and scarves by their metal clasps.

Normal Rain

If a fur garment is exposed to a light rain, and becomes somewhat wet but not soaked through to the pelt, it could be dried in a well-ventilated room, hanging free so that there is a free flow of air circulating about it. When thoroughly dry, shape it well, holding it at the hem, and then put it away. If the coat has been exposed to a very heavy downpour so that even the leather has been wetted, it is best to give the coat to your furrier for proper treatment. The moderate cost is insurance against a bigger bill later on. Keep your coat in a well-ventilated closet of normal temperature, for furs should always be kept in cool, dark places. Better to keep the coat in a good garment bag hanging behind a door of a cool room than a closet that is near steam pipes. These are all simple precautions, but they certainly do pay off in the appearance and service of a fur coat.

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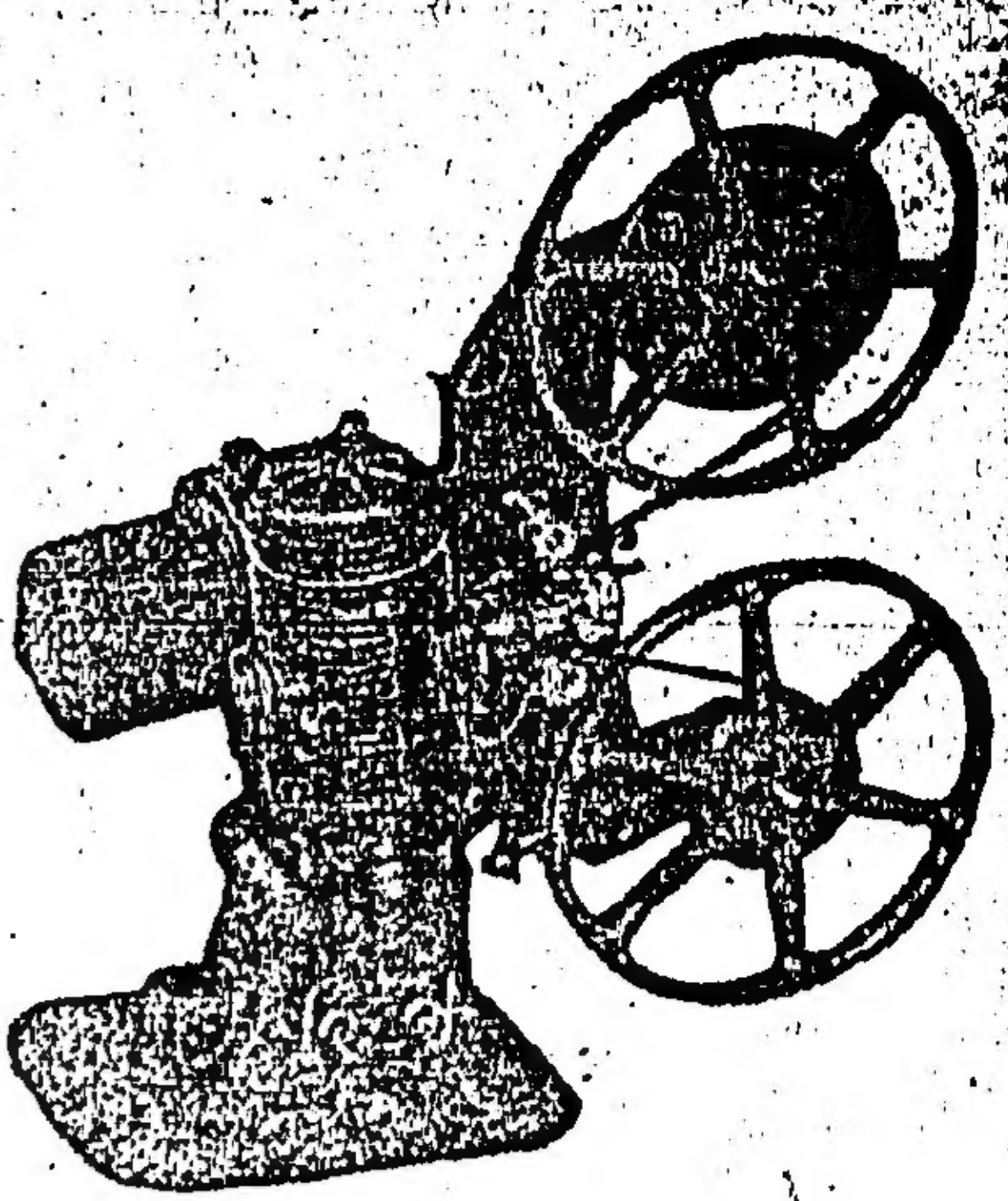
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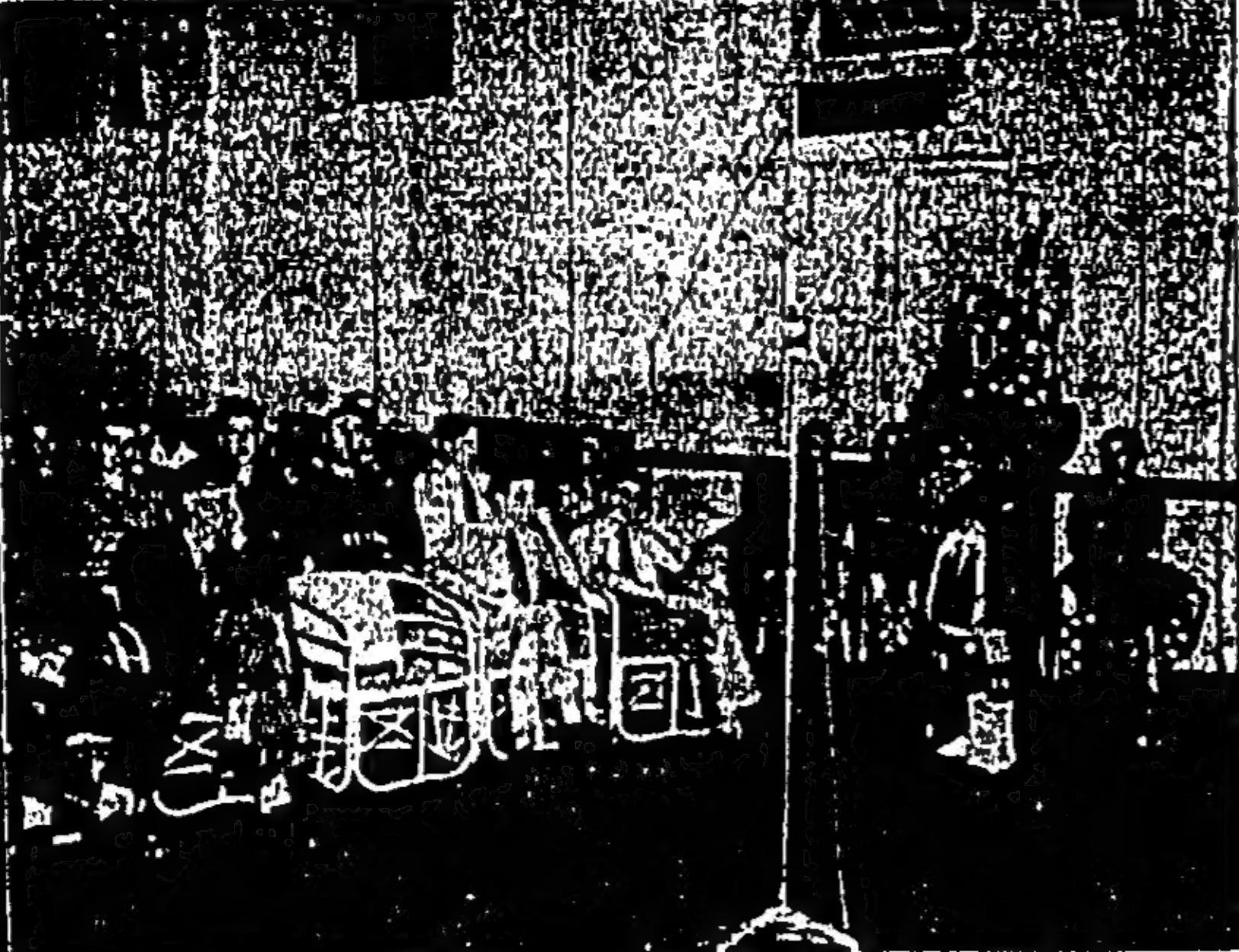
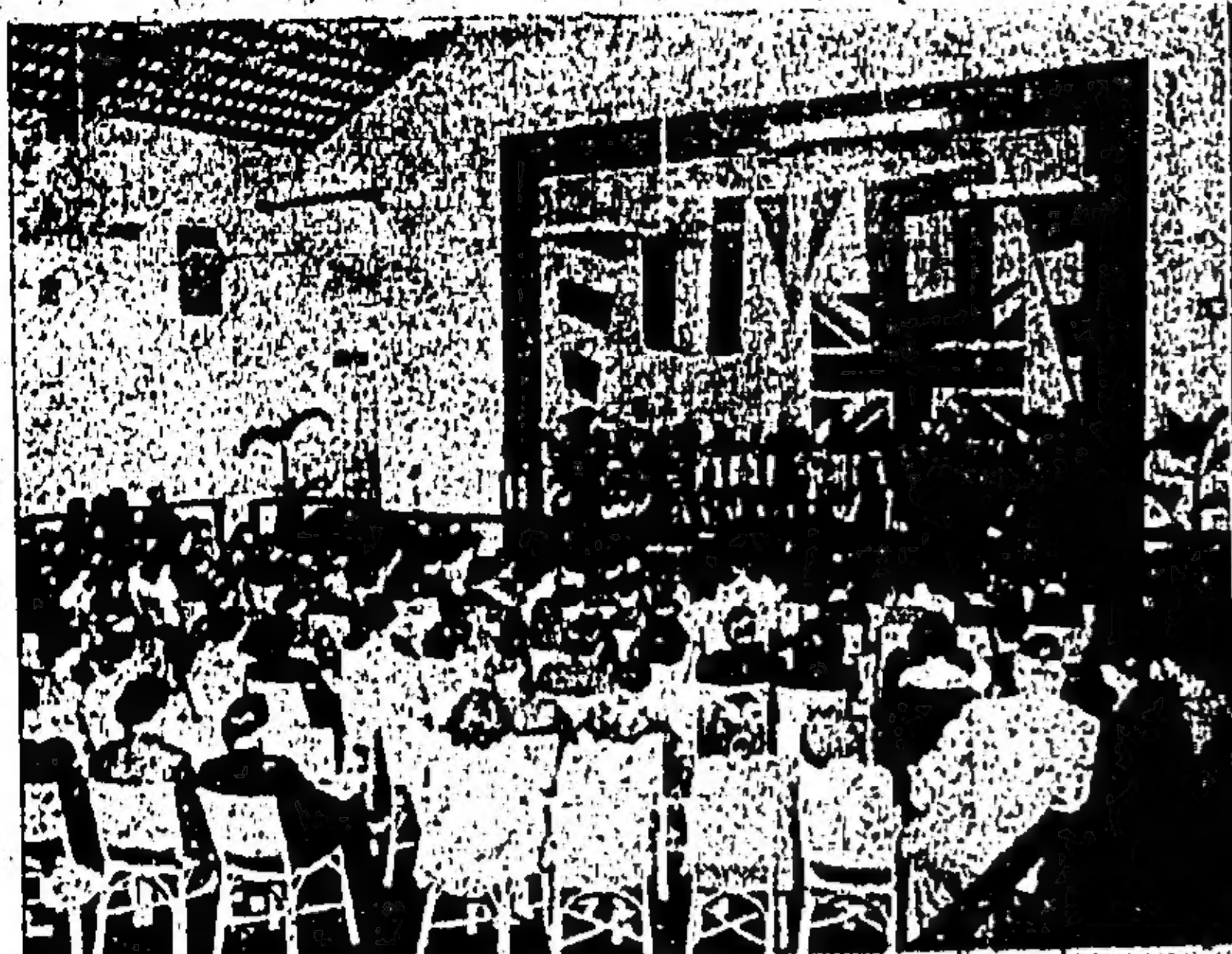
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THE Nine Dragons Club in Kowloon is a favourite stopping place for members of the Forces when they have a few spare hours. Above are two scenes during a concert, when the house was packed. On the left, some of the civilian women workers join the boys in a sing-song. Below that, a few soldiers slake their thirst. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



TWO pictures taken at St Teresa's Church last Saturday, when the new Colours of the 6th Kowloon (Maryknoll) Guide Company were dedicated by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Henry Valtorta. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



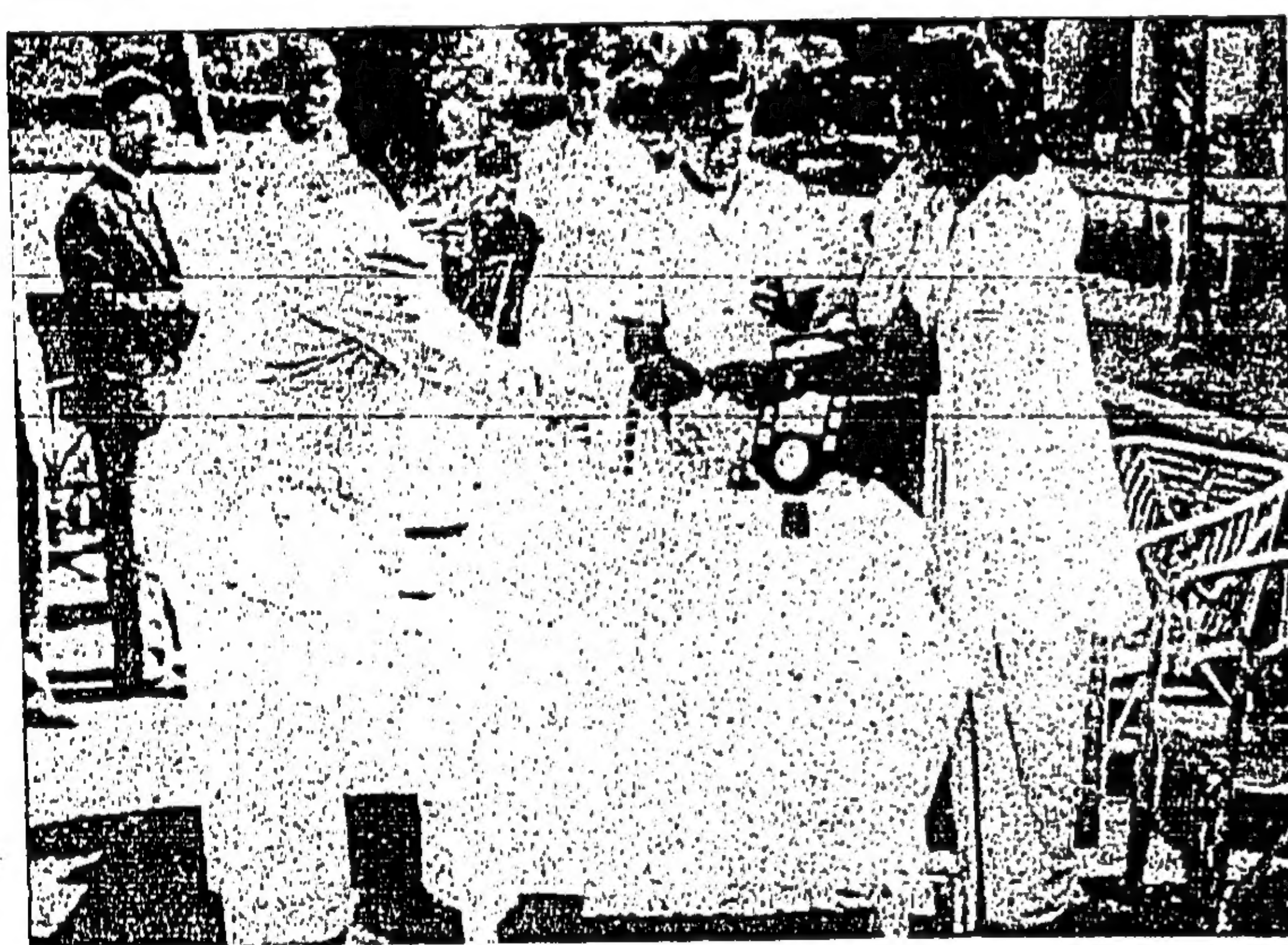
MR Yu Ping-tung and his bride, formerly Miss Wong Wai-wah. They were married on Tuesday. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



MR Ng Shun-keung and Miss Huo Woon-chun after their wedding at St Andrew's Church. (Francis Wu)



ST John's Cathedral choristers, who will sing carols in the grounds of Government House at Christmas. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



LEFT: Lady Grantham with members of the Swatow Christian Church at their bazaar, which she opened last week. Below: Lady Grantham inspecting one of the stalls. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



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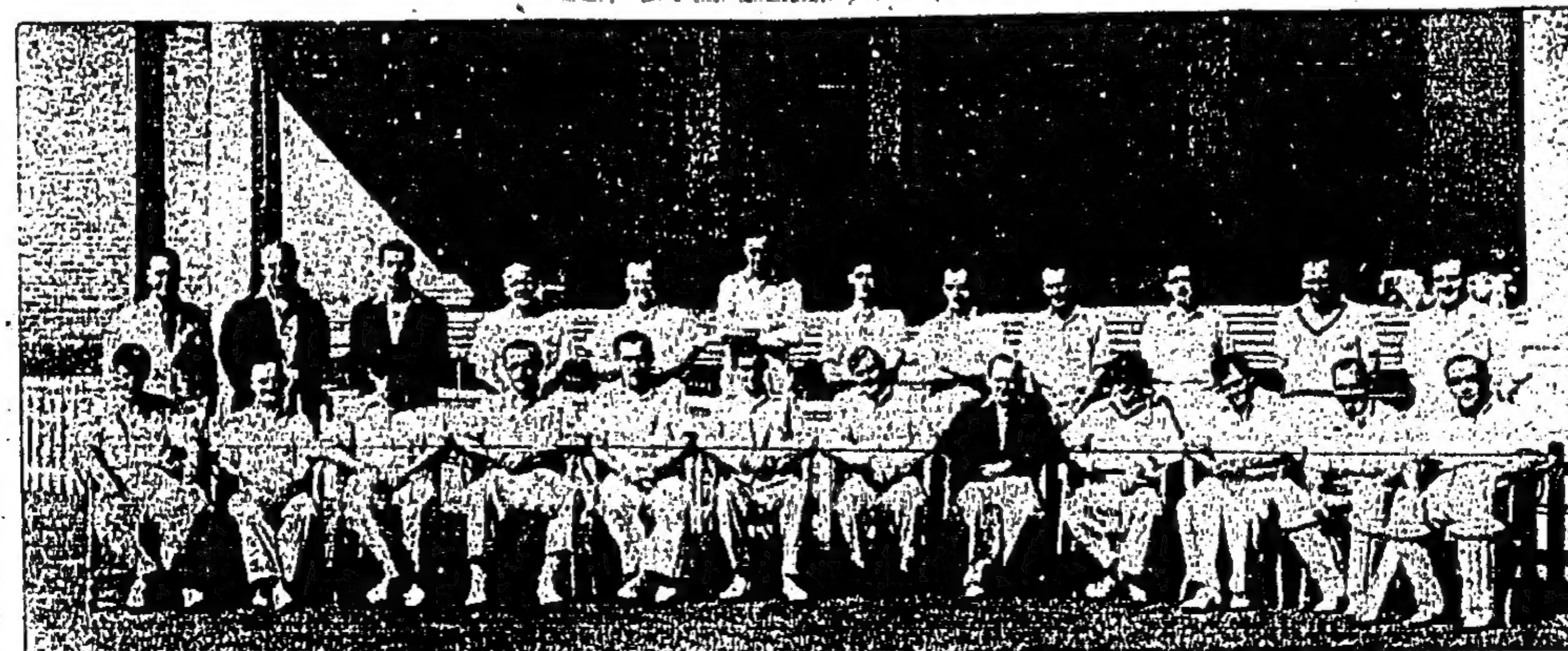
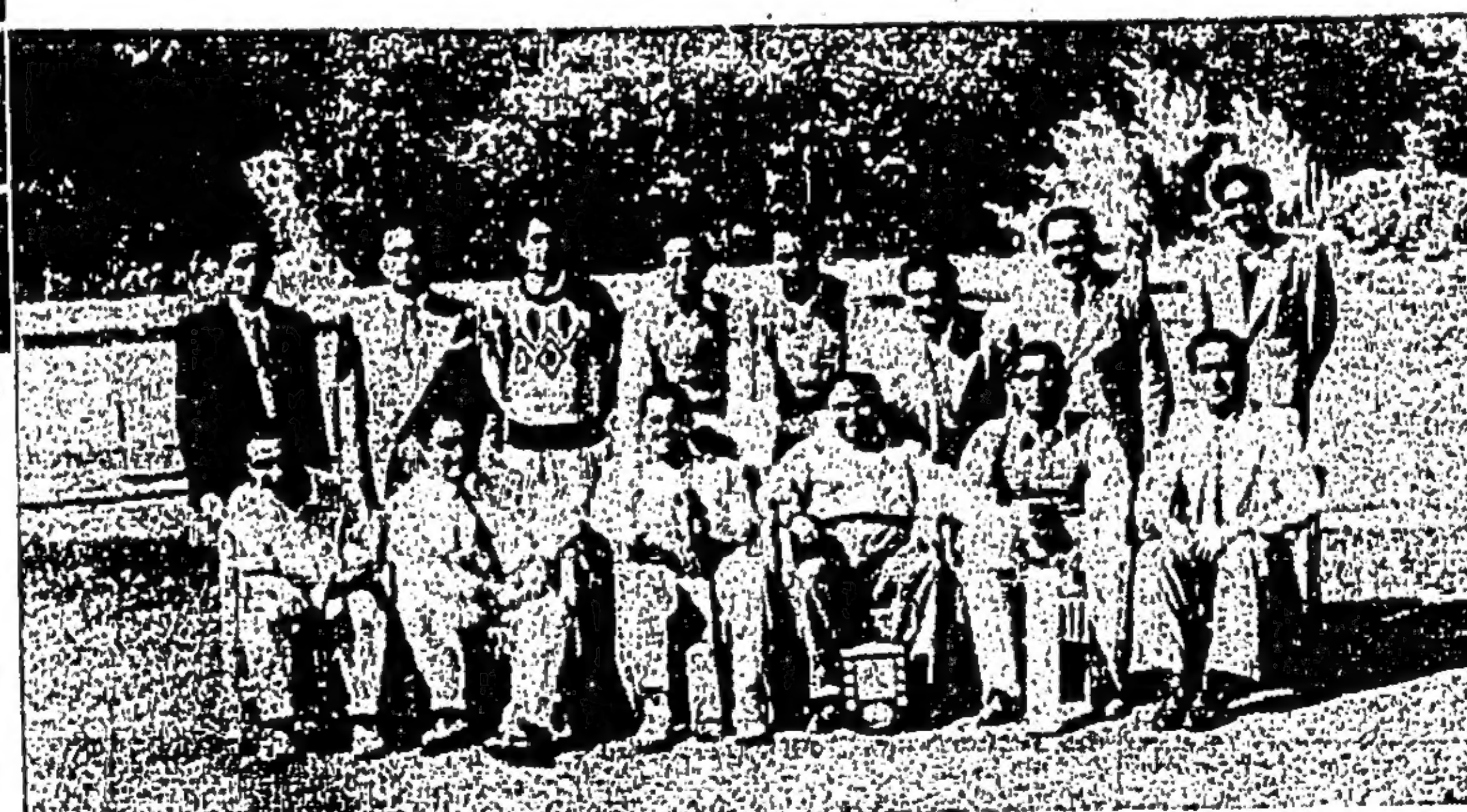


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MISS Arculli presenting cricket prizes at the Indian Recreation Club last Sunday. Right: Mr F. T. Molwani's XI, who won the Club's Sunday league. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



TEAMS representing England and Australia, who played for the Hazard Shield at Chater Road last Sunday. Australia won by 127 runs. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)

28 YEARS IN A CONVENT

The daily life of a silent nun

Her austere cell: Bare boards and whitewashed walls: Sheets were washed once a year

After 28 years in a convent of a strictly enclosed order of nuns, MONICA BALDWIN, cousin of the late Earl Baldwin, returned to the outside world to take up the threads of ordinary life again.

Here, in the second instalment of her story, she describes the austere simplicity of life behind the convent walls.

by . . . MONICA BALDWIN

THE first night away from the convent I spent with an uncle and aunt in Portland-place, London.

After dinner somebody turned on the radio. My first impulse was to fly from the room, shrieking "Witchcraft!" for the gramophone had been in its earlier and most ex-cruciating stages when I had gone behind the convent walls 28 years before. It was, I suppose, inevitable that the room in which I was put to sleep appeared to me almost palatially luxurious.

A nun's cell is so small that there is only room for herself, a tiny chest of drawers, and a prayer-stool, one chair, a minute folding table, and a hard little bed.

I remember, as a novice, how much difficulty I had in getting accustomed to the rough woollen sheets, which—incidentally as it may seem—were washed only once a year.

There is no washstand; instead, a small earthenware jug and basin stand in a corner on the floor. Bare boards and plain white-washed walls intensify the austerity.

No one may enter your cell except the Superior, or, should you fall ill, the nun who holds the office of apothecary.

The cell is always a place of silence. Drawers, doors, and windows must be opened noiselessly. Outside white-habited figures move up and down like shadows. Not a sound must break the stillness—neither the sound of voices, nor of passing feet.

I COME back to luxury

NOW, here I was, in the West End of London, tucked into a nest of pillows in a downy bed, between delicately fragrant linen sheets.

The room was large and high, with tall, wide windows; and there were pictures on the walls, and mirrors everywhere.

The thick-pile rug struck a note of rich and satisfying colour; and for washing there was a great, deep, blue-veined marble basin, into which hot and cold water cascaded from elegant taps.

In the convent I had been used to going to bed by the light of a tiny oil-filled lamp like a small glass ink-pot, with a wick that could only be manipulated with a pin.

Now I found an amber-shaded electric reading-lamp at my bedside; and there were switches which set other lights burning miraculously in various parts of the room.

I leaned back, marvelling at the luxury of it all.

THE THRILL of waking up

I HAVE always felt that the moment when first you wake up in the morning is the most wonderful of the 24 hours.

Even in the convent, I almost invariably experienced this rather childish thrill on first awakening.

It helped me to bound out of bed when the calling-bell changed ruthlessly at a quarter to five.

And nobody who hasn't tried it can imagine quite how disinclined one feels for bounding at that unlovely hour, especially in winter, when your sponge is a frozen fossil and you have to smash the ice in your waterjug with your hair-brush handle before you can wash.

Once I was appointed to do the calling for a time, which meant getting up half an hour earlier than the rest of the community.

It gave me an odd, ghostly feeling to tip-toe about all alone in that long, dimly lighted dormitory of sleepers.

After ringing the heavy iron bell, it is the caller's duty to go round from cell to cell, opening each door just wide enough to hear the answer when she utters the morning salutation of *Deo gratias* (Thanks be to God).

It always amused me to study the different reactions of the various nuns to this stern command of duty.

Most of them were already splashing by the time I got to them; but a few—one knew instinctively which they would be—needed quite a volley of *Deo gratias* before they could be persuaded to grant a sleepy answer from beneath the clothes.

The really heavy sleepers were apt to be tiresome. Sometimes you had to stand, saying "Deo gratias" at their doors till you were nearly hoarse.

Once a dreadful thing happened. After a more than usually lengthy effort to elicit an answer, the caller got worried and entered the cell to investigate.

To her horror she found a corpse lying stiff beneath the bedclothes. The nun had died from heart failure during the night.

COLD CUT like a knife

ONE of the things I found it hardest to get used to after I left convent was the smallness of people's houses.

I suppose this was because the convent where I had spent most of my life was so large. Built originally round a small open courtyard, it had grown with the centuries till it lay clutching two other courtyards and a cloister garth between its claws.

Here, in winter, the cold cut into you like a knife. Out of the cloister, heavy oak doors led into the rabbit-warren of the kitchen quarters to the Infirmary, to the Refectory, and to the great damp vaults below.

The Refectory was the oldest part of the building. To the last, I never entered it without a feeling of reverence.

The wide, open space in the middle was paved, like the cloister, with grey and white flagstones, worn irregular by daily contact with generations of heavily shod feet.

The massive, beamed ceiling was ornamented with sacred monograms in low-relief, and delicate mouldings whose sharp outlines had been blurred by the repeated white-washings of centuries.

The unglazed paintings on the walls were such as one sees in Continental churches: a Nativity, a Flemish study of

the Adoration of the Magi, a Marriage of St Catherine.

And, behind the prioress's table, a great, tragic canvas of the Crucifixion, with weeping child-angels who held chalices beneath the wounds of the tortured Christ.

Under the pictures a dado of plaited rushes hung behind the narrow benches.

Long, massive, polished tables, dark with age, stood, like the benches, on a platform of boards raised a couple of inches or so above the level of the floor.

Nothing here had been changed since it was built 300 years ago.

The same thick-paned latticed windows overlooked the same high-walled garden; the same bare oak tables were set with the same plates of dented pewter and brown earthen mugs.

SHE COULD be unpleasant

FURTHER along the cloister important-looking double doors opened into the Community Room.

The light from its long row of windows poured in upon what was practically the living-room of the nuns.

Whitewashed walls; a bare boarded floor, scrubbed to an unbelievable degree of spotlessness. The Mother Superior's table could be thoroughly unpleasant to people, especially novices, who came in from the muddy garden without wiping their feet.

Here was an ugly, carved Renaissance altar with twisted barley-sugar columns and a display of apocryphal and a series of narrow oak tables where 60 nuns or more could have sat comfortably.

Against the walls, a row of heavy rush-bottomed chairs alternated with plain oak cupboards in which the nuns might keep their books.

Above, the score or so of prioresses who had ruled the convent, looked down from unglazed canvases—stern, ascetic faces, pale, tight-lipped, tranquil, under their medieval coils of fine starched linen and shadowy veils.

Here the nuns sat sewing from 9 a.m. till 11, and from 1.30 p.m. till 3, and again from 4 to 5 p.m. It was always "out of recreation," meaning that nothing that was not absolutely unavoidable might be said.

Bring the machine as well as the man!

By Don Taylor

AUSTRALIA is shaping a new pattern for immigrants, one in which a man not only does the same job he did in Britain but may do it on the very machine he used.

There is still plenty of room for the individual immigrant—out of 120,000 Britons to settle in Australia, since the war, about half travelled outside the official scheme.

But British industry itself is emigrating on an increasing scale.

Britons are leaving home in the company of their own workmates, their families ready to follow.

Not only the jobs, but the new factories await them. At Tomago, a suburb of New South Wales, steel and industrial city of Newcastle, the British firm of Courtaulds, Ltd., is putting up a rayon factory.

About 400 men, and their families, will be brought out from Britain to man the machines.

Eventually the plant will employ about 5,000 people. In another case, a worsted spinning plant is being moved from Cleckheaton, Yorkshire, to Shepparton, Victoria.



In such a cell lived Monica Baldwin. In the corner a small earthenware jug and basin; her furniture, a prayer-stool, one chair and a hard bed.

No wonder that the walls seemed saturated with the silent aspirations, the unspoken joys and sorrows—sometimes agonies—of so many human hearts.

For nuns, after all, are only human; and until a kind of mystical death has taken place in the earthly nature, resulting in the triumph of what is spiritual over what is merely natural, suffering cannot be avoided.

It has been truly said that suffering is the price of sanctity.

Here, too, the community assembled for recreation in the evening, after supper.

The prioress sat at the top of the long row of tables with the nuns down either side.

The rule of silence no longer held; the walls echoed with laughter and conversation.

AN enchanted kingdom

AT the end of the cloister was the library. What an enchanted kingdom for anyone in need (as I, alas, so often felt myself to be) of an escape!

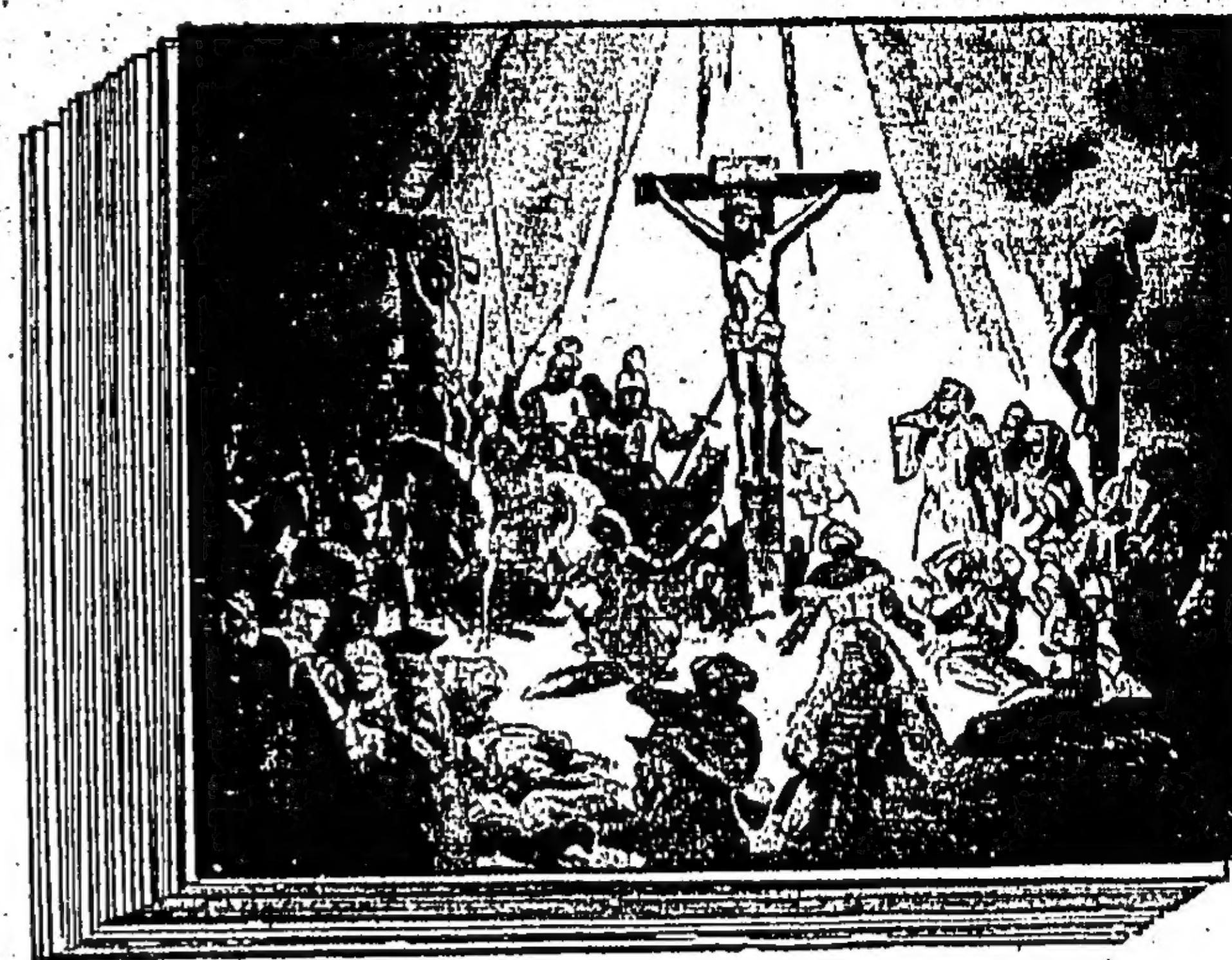
From the floor of dangerously polished parquet to the ancient ceiling beams were stacked tier upon tier of books—each in its way a magic casement opening on the foam of sometimes-perilous seas.

The library contained, in fact, everything for instruction or enlightenment upon every possible aspect of the spiritual life.

Besides the great cloister, there were two others, wide, lofty, cool, with their chill atmosphere of perpetual silence.

There was the stern, sombre chapter house leading through the stuffy lay sisters' chapel

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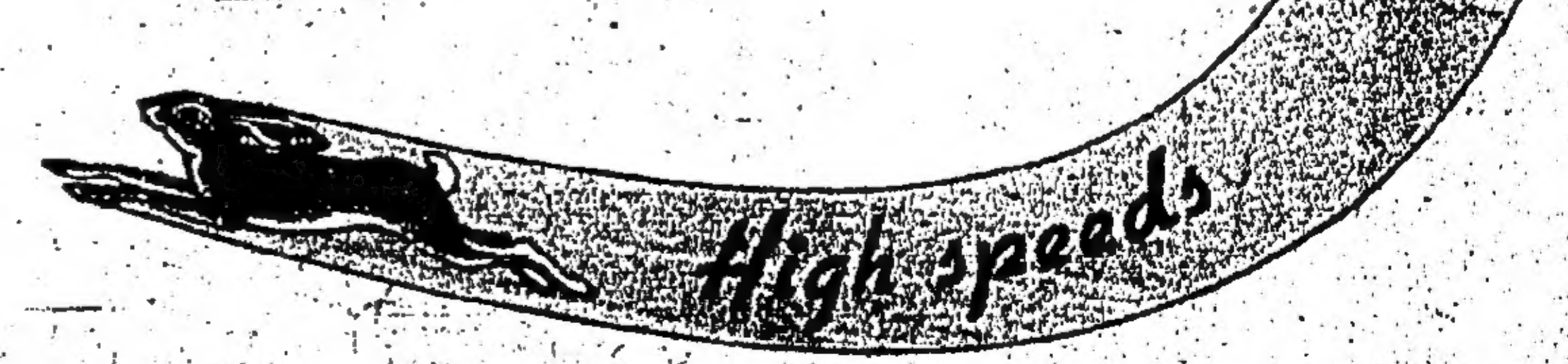
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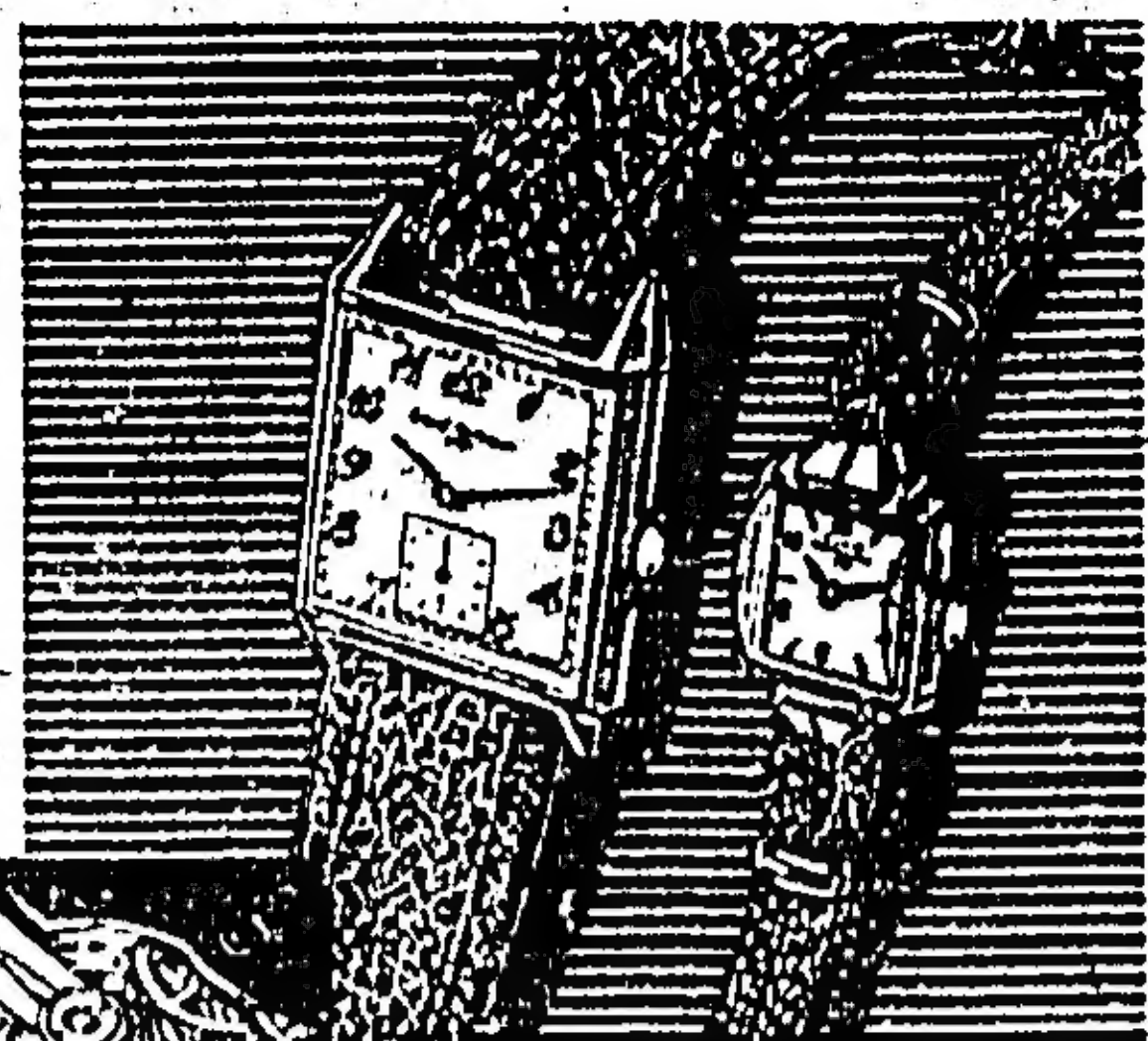


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The top attraction of the week-end softball programme will be the Senior Loop tilt slated for tomorrow afternoon at 3.30 when the USS "Salisbury Sound" clashes with the Madcaps in a crucial tussle which may see the end of the pennant race for either contestant. Still ranking from the humiliation of their defeat last week at the hands of St Theresa's, the "Salisbury Sound" will be out to regain lost prestige and establish itself as a strong contender for the play-off series.

With five victories offset against three reversals, the Madcaps cannot afford to drop another game at this stage of the pennant race. So, there is every indication of another action-packed classic when these two colourful squads match diamond talent.

Several promising Senior Loop encounters are slated for decision prior to the Navy-Madcap contest. Earlier in the morning the conquering St Theresa's play the Americans while at 2 p.m. the Pandas engage the Jaguars. Undelected St Joseph's will have Dick Chung's Chung-Hwa gang as their opponents.

The final games in the preliminary round of the Junior Circuit will also be decided this week. Topping the card will be the tilt between the Blackhawks and the Braves, second in the standings, and the Braves. On the distaff front, Allee Mar's Canuckettes and the Pirates tangle in today's nightcap of a twin bill. In the opener, the St Theresa Juniors will square off against Mike Lee's McTylereans.

Local ball fans should not judge the "Salisbury Sound" squad on their performance last week when they were nosed out 8-7 by St Theresa's in the final canto. The Gobs are new to the Colony and apparently require several more work-outs on the local diamond to get the kinks out of their system.

Faulty fielding and a noticeable tendency to under-rotate their opponent led to the Navy's defeat last week by one of the top Senior Loop outfits. The Madcaps can rest assured the Gobs will not repeat the

same tactical errors a second time. The "Salisbury Sound" batters are long ball hitters but have not as yet found the range with their blows. Many of their hits should have gone for extra bases were it not for the fine fielding dished up by Gerry Roza-Perelra and his mates in the St Theresa outfield.

In Jankey Benito Flori, the Navy has a topnotch pitcher who hurled a fast ball as well as a slight outcurve. Benito chucked a good game last week but was not given adequate fielding support by his mates. With the pennant fortunes of his team resting on his slim shoulders, Flori will be bearing down on the Madcappers on every pitch.

First sacker Robbie Roberts and outfielder Gregory lend the team's attack. Many quarters pick the "Salisbury Sound" to win tomorrow's ball game but as almost anything short of a hurricane or a blocked tackle can happen in a ball game it would be best to defer our pre-

THE MADCAPS

Buster Hollands and his Madcaps now stand seventh in the loop table and are behind the Navy in the salient matter of games won and lost. However, the Madcappers are well known for their fighting spirit when the chips are down.

Kelly Silva-Netto, pitching star of the team, has chucked five wins against three setbacks but has rarely finished a game without an erratic spell midway through the tussle when he issues walks in rapid succession.

The Madcappers have thus far been sparked by the explosive bat of Renaldo Sequiera, who is currently banging the apple at a 400 clip and challenging strongly for the top spot. The other players are also consistent hitters and are fast on the base paths.

The Madcap scouts were out last week looking over the Navy team and one point they may have noticed is the weakness of the Navy infield in fielding sacrifice bunts. The Madcappers are fine exponents of squeeze play and will most probably employ this strategy in the clutch.

THE LINE-UPS

The expected line-ups in tomorrow's tilt are:
USS "Salisbury Sound": Benito Flori, p; Chief Chapin, c; Robbie Roberts, lb; Kenneth Saine, 2b; Willie Willis, ss; Red Yardley, 3b; Gregory, lf; Sparky Sparks, cf; and Dutch Schweers, rf.

Madcaps: Kelly Silva-Netto, p; Roy Silva-Netto, c; Jim Moore, lb; Peter Petersen, 2b; Louis Oliveira, ss; Licky Verlesyn, 3b; Renaldo Sequiera, lf; Sid Hollands, cf; and George Saunders, rf.

SENIOR CIRCUIT GOSSIP

The Pandas-Jaguars tussle is another game well worth watching. After dropping their first two starts of the season, the Pandas have reeled off five straight victories and seem to be set for greener pastures. They are now fourth in the loop ladder.

The Pandas will be out in full force for this game after a week's lay-off. Raymond Tano, crackerjack catcher, is back in the Colony and will be Y.F. Yin's battery mate in tomorrow's tilt.

The Jaguars will be strengthened by the return of Frankie Corra to the catching job. The Jaguars are the heavier hitting team but must concede fielding superiority to the Shanghaianders.

Frank Cleary's Americans are tied with St Theresa's for place and both teams are playing good ball. Both teams lay on the wood with St Theresa's a faster outfit where base stealing is concerned. Mentor Cleary will call on either C.A.'s Fred Schwartz or Fred Hockman for the hurling assignment. Joek Brown will most probably toe the slab for St Theresa's.

The Maple Leafs should have no difficulty in taking the feeble Cumbancheros to the cleaners. The undefeated St Joseph's squad will meet a potential threat in Chung Hwa, the dark-horse of the loop.

Chung Hwa have already rattled the apple carts of both St Theresa and the Canadians but will find it a much harder task to get anywhere near to an upset when they tangle with the Saints.

The Overseas encounter "Doc" Molten's Basebatters and should run into a lot of trouble if the Basebatters display their form of last week when they fully extended the Madcappers before losing out 8-8. The Paks and the Darc-devils will be seen in the morning in another Senior Loop fixture.

REXES STILL TOPS
The best attraction in the Junior Loop will be the meet-

ing of the Blackhawks and the Braves slated for tomorrow morning. The Hawks are in second place two games behind the Braves while the Braves are just one game behind the Hawks.

Both contending outfits will be out for a victory in this crucial tussle as a defeat for either team may well mean the end of the road along pennant lane. The Braves are currently on a losing streak, having lost two successive starts.

Terry Lucido has in two games failed to go the distance for want of stamina. Unless he improves, the Tribe will have a sorry time tomorrow.

Bimby Ablong's Spartans, in their rapid climb up the loop

ladder, should be able to get by the Delawareans this afternoon.

The front-running Rexes should find an easy opponent in the Pandas when they clash today.

Besides the Blackhawks-Braves tilt, two other Junior Loop games will be decided tomorrow. The Overseas will play the Griffins and the Aces take on the Jaguars.

LADIES MIX IT UP

A twin bill will be featured in the Ladies' Circuits this afternoon. In the opener, the McTylereans, wallowing in the loop dungeon, will make an attempt to get out of the nethermost regions when they oppose powerful St Theresa's.

Saints are expected to cop this tussle without extending themselves.

In the nightcap, Allee Mar's Canuckettes tangle with the Bucs whom they walloped 30-9 earlier in the season. Sparked by Allee Mar's heavy cannonading, the Maple Leafs should repeat their triumph over the enthusiastic Corsairs.

ECHOES AND RE-ECHOES

Last week a Senior Loop game was called off at the very last minute by the two contending teams when the officials assigned to the game failed to put in an appearance at the scheduled time. This disruption in the loop fixtures will necessitate the game being rescheduled for a later date.

The non-appearance of the officials at last week's game is tangible proof of the utter disregard of some teams and players to the Association's plea for umpires and scorers. All teams were required by the Constitution to submit the names of two or more members for the Umpire's Register from which the weekly umpire rosters will be drawn.

On the failure of the majority of teams to respond to this requisition, the Association had no recourse but to make all team managers responsible for the attendance of their playing members when they are assigned to officiate at games.

Even this recent attempt to foster co-operation has failed. In the interests of softball it is felt that unless more co-operation is displayed by the competing teams the fulfilment of the loop fixtures will be placed in jeopardy.

WEEK-END FOOTBALL

Challenge Shield Competitions Start Today BY "UNOMI"

This week-end sees the start of the Challenge Shield Competitions. The Shield is one of the most coveted trophies in local soccer. Run on similar lines to homeside cup-ties, the competition is a knock-out affair.

The present holders of the Senior Shield are South China "A," who last season had at least ten of today's successful Kitchee players in their ranks. The holders' present team comprises the many young players who played for South China "B" last year. It certainly looks as if the Shield will change hands this season.

Today, two games are down for decision in the Senior Shield. The undefeated Kitchee meet present holders, South China, at Club ground. In local soccer, Kitchee are supreme, and start off as favourites in this competition.

South China are missing the services of their clever pivot, Ko Po-keung, who is injured. Last week they were defeated by R.A.F. and it is a certainty they have not the power to inflict a defeat on Kitchee. A safe entry into Round Two is predicted for the undefeated league leaders, Kitchee.

CAA v CLUB
The second game today will be a most interesting one, CAA v. Club. Both teams have been showing erratic form lately. CAA, who are weak compared with their last season's team, showed a marked improvement in the game against St Joseph's. They have the ability in their ranks but appear to lack combination and are content to play a robust type of football.

Club are having a lean season just now. How they must long for players like Kierman and Forrow, two of last season's stalwarts. There is a lack of new blood in the team and this is greatly needed.

Young players are included who are inexperienced and are unable to make the most of the many attacks started by veteran Mullen, the Club Captain. The two teams met in the same competition last season and Club were victorious after extra time had been played. Today's game will be a hard-fought struggle in which both defences will predominate. I think CAA will win.

COMMANDO v KMB
On Sunday, the remaining first round ties will be played. The "tilt" appears to be the Commando v. Kowloon Motor Bus match at Soekunpoo. Last week, Commandos, capably led by centre-forward Highton, trounced Kwong Wah by 7-0. Highton who has been on the injured list for the past month was once again injured in last Sunday's Governor's Cup Game and is a doubtful starter tomorrow. Without Highton, the Commandos are a mediocre team and KMB should have little difficulty in winning, but should the centre-forward appear in the line-up, it is anybody's game.

ARMY v KWONG WAH
Army, victorious in their past six games, should have no difficulty in accounting easily for Kwong Wah. The Army officials have a scheme in operation at present where by all members of the football team meet one day during the week for a rigorous day's training, together with lectures on soccer tactics.

Judging by past results this plan is paying big dividends. The players who in the past met each other a short time before the Saturday kick-off, now know each other's moves and work to a definite plan. Police meet Navy at Boundary Street and this will be a real rounder. Both teams are not exactly dainty with their footwork and prefer first-time tackles, and that is what the spectator likes to see in a cup-tie.

Navy are unfortunate in losing the services of Galvin and Reid who sailed last Saturday. These players will be greatly missed in this game. Police, whose team consists mainly of Chinese players, are much faster on the ball than the Navy and this may be the deciding factor. I think it will be a close game with a probability of extra time being necessary.

The only remaining game tomorrow is between R.A.F. and New Vendors. Last Saturday, R.A.F. gained their first victory of the season and they will take the field tomorrow full of enthusiasm.

New Vendors are a Second Division team who have, at least, eight players who participated in last season's First Division. They are much too

strong a side for 2nd Division opposition, being undefeated so far this season, thus their entry into the Senior Shield.

The R.A.F. defence is strong but I can't see them subduing the Chinese forwards. It will require an extra effort by the R.A.F. players if they hope to win.

The only game in the Junior Shield that looks interesting is South China v. Kitchee. The latter team, week after week, turn in big scores and are a very steady side but the South China Juniors have a great reputation as cup-fighters and will stretch the opposition to the utmost.

GOVERNOR'S CUP
The Governor's Cup game, played last Sunday, was a big disappointment to the large crowd which filled the Club Ground expecting to see an exciting match. The HKFA team was completely outplayed in every department of the game. They were unable to cope with the accurate first-time passing of the Chinese eleven.

Berry, the HKFA inside-right, was injured after ten minutes of play and no sooner had he returned when Highton, the centre-forward, had to leave the field for attention.

When he returned, he was more of a liability than an asset to the side. Highton was crippled during the first half. He moved to right-half and courageously carried on.

The whole team showed a lack of understanding and was no match for the wiles of the Chinese forwards.

Kwok Ying-kee was in a sprightly mood and scored four of his side's five goals. The selection of the HKFA team for last week's game came in for a lot of criticism. A much stronger team could have been fielded and it is hoped that the people responsible for the selection will exercise a little more care in the future and thus ensure the public of witnessing a game worthy of the occasion.

URGENTLY NEEDED
The Governor's Cup game once again brought home the urgency of a stadium with permanent and fire-proof stands for Hongkong. The ground was full a long time before the commencement of play and many people were unable to gain admission.

The football public receive too many set-backs due to this shortage of accommodation whenever a big game takes place.

During the second half of the game a fire broke out in the corner of one of the wooden stands. The spectators in the vicinity of the blaze charged on to the field to escape the flames and play had to be stopped.

The fire brigade arrived on the scene ten minutes after the danger had been averted. The damage caused was negligible but it could easily have been much more serious.

RAF SURPRISE
RAF provided the surprise in last week's First Division League programme. The air-men played a grand game and were worthy winners over South China.

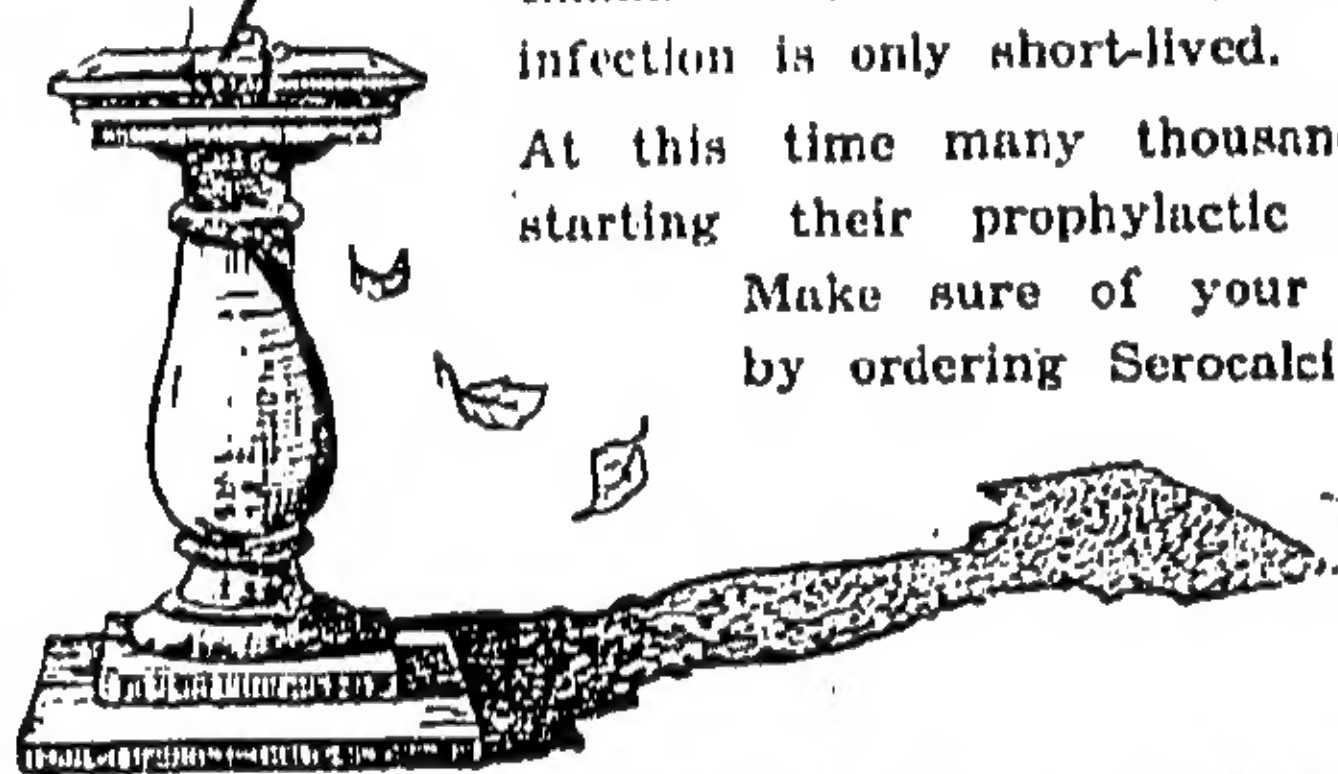
Richards, Cross and Wilson formed a rock-like defence which balked the South China forwards and this led R.A.F. to victory. Morrow made a well-timed reappearance at inside-left. The game between KMB and St Joseph's failed to produce the thrills expected. The Saints started off well but after ten minutes collapsed and the Busmen joyed with them and eventually ran out worthy winners by 4-1.

Commandos, with centre-forward Highton in the side, piled on the pressure during the second half of their game with Kwong Wah and scored seven goals without reply, after a goalless first-half. Highton, who is an inspiration to the Commando team, notched a "hat-trick" and led his line in masterly fashion.

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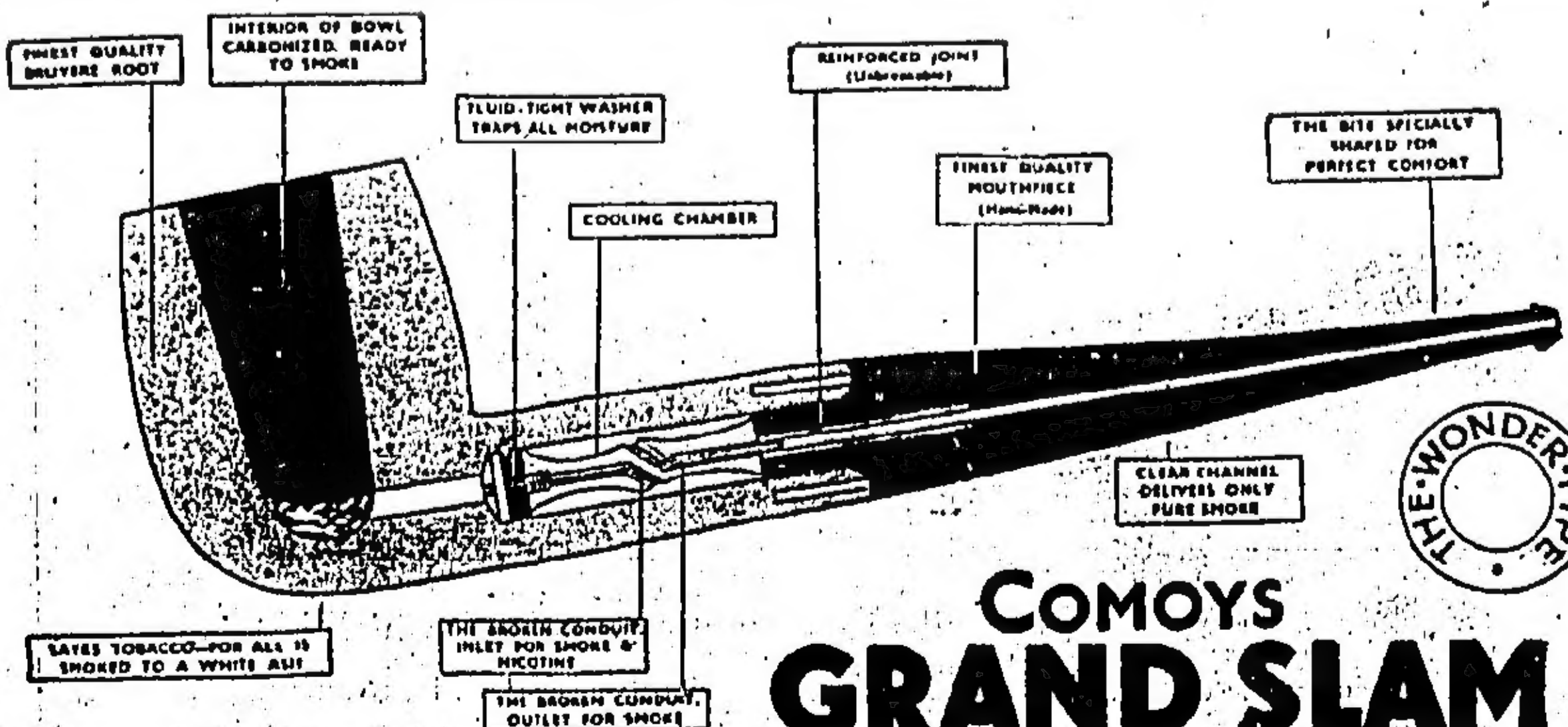
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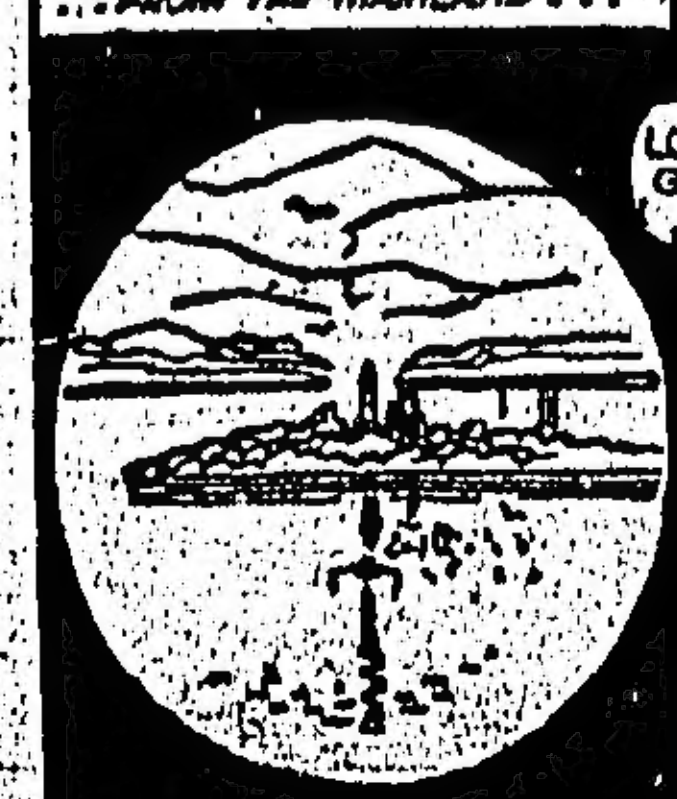
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The Congressman Can't Get A Drink—Of Water

WASHINGTON: Complaint from Congressman James Bryson, a teetotaler—"Washington is the drinkingest place in the world. You can always get a cocktail, but never a glass of water."

Bad for business
HOLLYWOOD: Films starring Shirley Temple are slumping. Hollywood reports, since she announced she would get a divorce.

Faith
NEW YORK: Admission from Captain John Brewster, the naval doctor who discovered the "cold cure" tablets now selling by the million in America—he gave some of his patients fake pills containing nothing but sugar, and one out of three of them reported themselves cured of their colds.

Ocean monster
BRUSSELS: A huge bone, 17 ft. long and weighing half a ton, which was recently caught in the nets of an Ostend trawler, has been presented to the Belgian Natural History Museum. Experts believe it to be the jaw bone of a gigantic whale.

Rival for Sinatra
NEW YORK: Overnight the young Shah of Persia has become a real life Valentino for New York's feminine bobby-soxers. Every time he leaves and enters his hotel he gets the Frank Sinatra treatment—coos, whistles and cheers. And overheard; one girl asking another: How many wives can a Persian have?

Ride a grey mare
FRANKFORT: Countess Ellen Von Hohenhausen, 52, will ride a dapper grey mare from her native home in Bavaria to Rome for Holy Year, she said recently. The German Countess said she would ride her horse

"Bello Gioco" to Rome to "convey the regards of German horsemen to the Pope."

It had to happen
NEW YORK: The first TV strike in America has started. Seventy-two artists, designing costumes and scenery, who get \$30 a week, want the same pay as theatrical designers: \$50 a week.

Globe-trotter
WELLINGTON: A mouse named Hubert, which survived a shipwreck 100 miles north of San Francisco, crossed the United States in a Pullman and then went to England in the Aquitania, has died at the hands of a surgeon of the liner Rimuluka because of a New Zealand health order prohibiting the keeping of diseased-carrying mice aboard. The mouse was the pet of the ship's steward, James Burnell-Higgs, and if it had not been declared to the Customs the captain of the ship would have been liable to a fine of £200 or six months' jail.

Atom-proof
CHICAGO: In Chicago, so far America's most atom-conscious city, architects are advertising two houses which are "atom-bomb resistant." They have a roof of cement poured on a wire mesh. Admittedly useless for close-by bombs, these roofs, explain the architects, will offer protection against radioactivity from bombs dropped a mile or more away.

Much simpler...
PHILADELPHIA: Simplified English, as it is called, has been adopted officially by the United States Navy. Sample:—Instead of saying "While travelling via air, baggage to accompany is authorized," the Navy will now say "Bagair."

Maugham Displays His Mind At Work

NEW BOOKS... by GEORGE MALCOLM THOMSON

A WRITER'S NOTEBOOK.
By W. Somerset Maugham. Heinemann. 12s. 6d. 349 pages.

MAUGHAM tidles up his desk. Fifteen fat books, the jottings of a lifetime, are reduced to one rich, handsome volume. It contains scenes, characters, stray thoughts, and second thoughts, anecdotes. For instance: "They were talking about V.F., whom they'd all known. She published a volume of poems, obviously not addressed to her husband. It made them laugh to think she'd carried on a long affair under his nose."

Forty years after, that becomes a story called *The Colonel's Lady*.

Here are the jottings that turned into *Rain*, the first authentic glimpse of Sadio Thompson. And here is the anecdote of Ah Fong, the coolie who became wealthy in Hawaii, married a Portuguese and, after a lifetime, gathered his children round him and said he was going back to China, to the wife of his youth. And so vanished.

"There is the making of a story here," says Maugham, "but I have written it because I discovered that Jack London had already done so."

MAUGHAM'S first Russian teacher was almost a dwarf and came from Odessa. When he failed to turn up for four days, Maugham went in search of him. He found him stark naked and very drunk.

"I have written a poem," he explained. "With dramatic gestures he recited it. It was very long and I didn't understand a word."

The lightning sketches of people have a brilliant impressionism. There is a fascinating note on the importance of physical characteristics to the author: "The world is an entirely different place to the man of 5ft. 7in. from what it is to the man of 6ft. 2in."

Throughout the years, the temper of Maugham's mind hardly alters; the man of feeling slightly overplaying the man with a level head: "Sentimentality is only sentiment that rubs you up the wrong way." Maugham is more than cool; he is composed.

First entry (1892): "Considering how foolishly people act and how pleasantly they suffer, perhaps it would be better for the world if they talked more and did less."

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SEVEN DAYS IN NEW CRETE. By Robert Graves. Cassell. 9s. 6d. 281 pages.

MOST novels about the future are serious and repellent. This one is plain daff.

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Warfare is carried on between villages rather like primitive football match, accompanied by religious rites. Nobody is killed.

But, just when Venn-Thomas has decided that, although everything is pleasant, it is also a little bit boring, he comes upon the main religious festival, or orgy, of the New Creteans. This culminates in ritual murder and cannibalism. Whereupon Venn-Thomas takes an indignant header back into the twentieth century.

This is a guide book to an improbable future state rather than a novel. Robert Graves has, surely, something tastier bubbling in his cauldron.

"ROBERT GRAVES was born in London in 1895. He was educated at Charterhouse and later went to St. John's College, beginning as a poet of World War I. He produced at the age of 25 his autobiography, *Goodbye to All That*. The public at large has seen the man who wrote *I, Claudius* and *Count Belshazzar*.

THE MEMOIRS OF A SHY PORNOGRAPHER. By Kenneth Patchen. Grey Walls Press. 9s. 6d. 235 pages.

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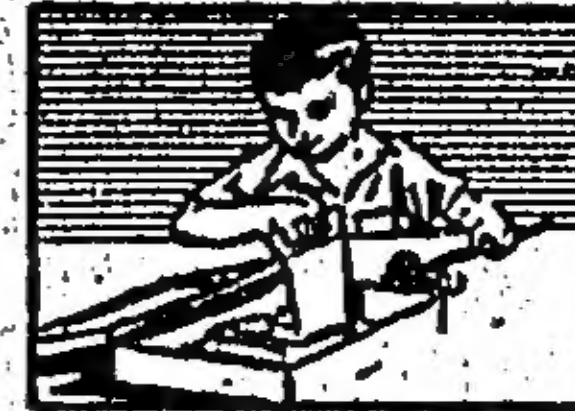


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Some Puzzles About Man's Best Friend

DOG REBUS

By using these words and pictures, you can unmask the names of four types of dogs:



DIAMOND

The TERRIER serves as a centre for this diamond. The second word is a combining form for "new," the third "a doctor's helper," the fifth "willow," and the sixth a contraction for "ever."

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BIRD POSERS

1. "Chipping," "White-Crowned" and "English" all refer to what kind of bird?
2. An old-time moving picture reminds one of what bird?
3. Of what bird might the Bald Eagle be envious?
4. What is the more familiar name for the Skunk Blackbird?
5. Besides the White-Crowned Sparrow what two other birds have regal sounding names?

CROSSWORD



ACROSS
1 Breed of dog
6 Constellation
7 Titles

DOWN
1 Male offspring
2 Age
3 Short for Timothy
4 Pedal digit
5 Abstract being

MISSING VOWELS

This sentence contains no vowels, but if you place vowels in their proper places and break up the line, you'll discover an interesting fact about youngsters and dogs:

RIDDLES

1. Why is a clock the most humble thing in existence?
2. Why is a person bathing in the river at Paris like a lunatic?
3. Why should a boy never tell his secrets in a cornfield?
4. Why is giving away coal the best of all charities?
5. Why is a joke less durable than a church bell?

DOG MIX-UPS

Three breeds of dog are concealed in these mixed-up lines. Bring them to light by rearranging the letters in each row:

ROC BIRD PAN HENS
ME LOUD OH BOND
KEEP SINGE

ANSWERS

DOG REBUS: Great Dane; Shepherd; Whippet; Boxer.

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BIRD POSERS: 1—Sparrow. 2—Flicker. 3—The Hairy Woodpecker. 4—Bobolink. 5—Belted Kingfisher and Kingbird.

CROSSWORD



MISSING VOWELS: Even mongrels satisfy youthful desires for pets.

RIDDLE ANSWERS: 1—It holds its hands before its face and continually runs itself down. 2—Because he's in Selma (insane). 3—Because so many ears are there and they will be shocked. 4—Because it makes the receiver grate full (grateful). 5—Because after it has been told (told) a few times it is worn out.

DOG MIX-UPS: Doberman Pinscher; Bloodhound; Pekingese.

The Mystery of the Pantomime Cat At the show

Children's Serial by Gina Burton

THE children sat down in Pip's big playroom, a bag of chocolates between them, supplied by Larry.

"Well—it looks as if we've all got something to report," said Fatty. "Girls first. How did you get on, Daisy and Bets?"

Taking it in turns to supply the news, Bets and Daisy told their story. "Wasn't it lucky to see Zoe herself?" said Daisy. "She's sweet, she really is. She couldn't possibly have done the job, Fatty."

"But isn't it awful about the hanky with Z on?" said Bets. "And oh, Fatty—she smokes the same kind of cigarettes as our cigarette-ends were made of."

"Well, Goon will probably find that most of the others smoke them, too, so we needn't worry so much about that," said Fatty. "I'm sorry about that hanky business, though. Why did we put Z on that silly hanky?"

"Don't you think we ought to tell Goon that—I mean, about us putting the hanky down for a false clue?" said Daisy, anxiously. "I can't bear Goon going after poor Zoe with a false clue like that—it's awful for her."

"It can't prove anything," said Fatty, thinking hard. "If it had been hers she might have dropped it any old time, not just that evening. I don't see that Goon can make it really prove anything."

"I must say you two girls did very well," said Fatty. "You got a lot of most interesting information. What about you, Larry and Pip?"

Then Larry and Pip told of their meeting with the manager, and related in great detail all he had said to them. Fatty listened eagerly. This was splendid!

"I say—that was fine," he said when the two boys had finished. "I feel there's absolutely no doubt at all now that it was Boysie who took in the doped tea."

"Well—if he did do the job—or helped somebody to do it—he certainly made it quite clear that he was in it, by taking the tea to the manager!"

thing a mutt like Boysie would forget."

"Well—we shall see him this afternoon," said Daisy. "I forgot to tell you, Fatty, that we arranged with Zoe to meet all the members of the show after it had finished this afternoon, for autographs. So we shall see Boysie as well."

"Well all go to the show this afternoon, watch everyone acting, and then go round and collect autographs, speak to all the members of the show, and take particular notice of Boysie," said Larry.

"Go up top," said Fatty. "And tomorrow we go after the rest of the alibis. Larry and Daisy will go to see Mary Adams, to find out if Lucy White's alibi is sound—and Pip and I will see if we can test Peter Watling's and William Orr's."

"We shall have to find out how to check John James too—he went to the cinema all the evening—or so he said."

"Yes—and Alec Grant's," said Daisy. "He went to Sheep-ridge and gave a show there on his own."

"Silly to check that, really," said Pip. "So many people heard and saw him. Anyway, it will be jolly easy to check."

"There's the dinner-bell," said Pip. "I must go and wash. What time do we meet this afternoon? And where? Down at the theatre?"

"Yes," said Fatty. "Do there at a quarter to three. The show starts at three. So long!"

They were all very hungry indeed for their meal. Before long they were all at the table. Fatty spent a good time after his meal writing out all the things he knew about the mystery.

It made very interesting reading indeed. Fatty read it afterwards, and felt puzzled.

So many suspects, so many motives, so many alibis—how in the world would they ever unravel them all?

At a quarter to three all the Find-Outers were down at the Little Theatre. A grubby little boy was in the booking-office, and gave them their tickets.

They passed into the theatre and found their seats. They hurried to get them as far forward as they could, so as to be able to observe the actors very closely.

They were in the middle of the second row—very good places indeed. Someone was playing the piano softly. There was no band, of course, for the show was only a small one. The stage-curtain shook a little in the draughts that came in each time the door was opened. The children gazed at it, admiring the marvellous sunset depicted on the great sheet.

Rupert and a Mare's Nest—23



Out on the terrace Rupert only to us birds. He talks eagerly tells of his search for a white mare's nest, and at first the then he makes up his mind looking looks rather serious. "You and calls his men, in attention are a strange little hen," he darts to him. "Go find the court chamberlain and bid him come to me," he orders. "I am a strange little hen," he says, "and you are the only person I have met who believes that there is such a thing. It is a secret known ranged as Rupert wishes."

There were two plays and a skit on Dick Whittington's Pantomime. In the first two plays, Boysie did not appear, but he came in at the last one, and the children shouted with delight as he shuffled in on all fours, dressed in the big furry skin that the boys had seen through the window on Friday night.

He was very funny. He waved to the children just as he had waved to the three boys when they had peered in to see him on the Friday night. He capered about, cuddled up to Zoe Marikham (who was Dick Whittington and looked very fine indeed), and was altogether quite a success.

"Zoe looks lovely," said Larry. "Yes—but why do the Principal Boys parts always have to be taken by girls," said Daisy, in the interval of a change of scenery. "Do you remember, to Aladdin, it was a girl who took Aladdin's part in Cinderella a girl took the part of the Prince."

"Sh!" said Bets. "The curtain is going up again. Oh, there's the Cat! And oh, look—his skin is spitting down by his tail!"

So it was. The Cat seemed to realise this and kept feeling the hole with his front paw. "Meow," he said, "meow!" Almost as if he was a real cat, dismayed at the splitting of his coat.

"I hope he doesn't split it all the way down," said Bets. "I bet he's got into a row with that awful manager if he did. Oh, isn't he funny! He's pretending to go after a mouse. Is it a mouse?"

"Only a clockwork one," said Daisy. "Well, Boysie may be queer in his head and all that—but I think he's jolly clever in his acting. I do really."

Fatty thought so too. He was wondering if anyone quite so good at acting could be as silly as that. Well—he would see if he could talk to Boysie afterwards—then he could make up his own mind about him.

The show came to an end. The curtain came down, went up again, and came down again. It stayed down. Everyone clapped and then got up to go home. It was past five o'clock.

"Now let's rush round to the stage-door," said Fatty. "Come on!"

So, autograph-books in hand, the five of them tore round to the stage-door, anxious to catch all the actors and actresses before they left.

They waited for five minutes. Then Zoe came to the door. She was all right, but she had a new face. But she had changed into a suit, now, and looked quite different.

"Come along in and meet the others inside," she said. "The won't be out for a few minutes, and it's cold standing at that door."

So, feeling a little nervous, the five children trooped in to the stage-door, and followed Zoe to a big room, where one or two of the actors were gulping down cups of tea.

Peter Watling and William Orr were there, one elderly and rather sour-looking, one young and rather nice-looking. They didn't look nearly so fine as they had done on the stage, when Peter had been Dick's master and William had been a very dashing captain, singing a loud, jolly song of the sea, the blue, blue sea!

They nodded at the children. "Hallo kids! Autograph hunting? Well, we're flattered, I'm sure! Hand over your books."

The two men scribbled in each book. Then Zoe introduced them to Lucy White, a tall, gentle-looking girl who had been Dick Whittington's sweetheart in the play.

"She signed the books too," said John James, coming in. "Then John James came in, a bit dazed and heavy-footed, man, just right for the black king in the play. 'Hello!' he said. 'You don't mean to say that somebody wants our autograph? Well, well! Here's mine for you!'"

He signed the books too. Fatty began to get into conversation with William and Peter. Larry tried to talk to John James. Pip looked round. Surely there should be somebody else to ask to sign their books. There was—and he came in at that moment, a small, dumpy little man, who had played the part of Dick's mother on the stage. He had been very



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good as the mother—neat and nimble, using an amusing high voice, and even singing two or three songs in a woman's voice very cleverly indeed.

"Could we have your autograph, please?" said Fatty, going up to him. "I say, I did like your performance. I could have sworn you were a woman! Even your voice!"

"Yes—Alec was in great form with his singing today," said Zoe. "Got his high notes beautifully!"

"You should see him imitate me and Lucy—takes us off really well, so that you'd hardly know it wasn't us! We tell him he's lost in this little comedy. He ought to be on in the West End!"

"He thinks that himself, don't you, Alec," said John James, in a slightly mocking voice. "But the manager doesn't agree with him."

"Don't talk to me about him," said Alec. "We all detest the fellow. Here you are, kids—catch! And I hope you can read my signature!"

He threw them their books. Fatty opened his and saw a most illegible scrawl that he could just make out to be "Alec Grant"—but only just.

Zoe laughed. "He always writes like that. Nobody can read his writing. I tell you, it's just as well he writes 'Hot Potatoes' or 'Peppermint Creams' and nobody would know the difference. I wonder your mother can ever read your letters, Alec."

"She can't," said Alec. "She waits till I get home and then she gets me to read them to her. And I can't!"

Everyone laughed. "Well, so long," said Alec, winding a yellow scarf round his neck. "See you tomorrow. And mind none of you knock the manager on the head tonight!"

MORE NEXT WEEK.

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Be A Right Number On The 'Phone

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DON'T start the guesswork—this is a telephone routine. Telephone guesswork goes out with the horseless carriage era and we doubt if they amused anyone even then.

DON'T, if the call is for your neighbour, open a window and bellow out the wild blue yonder, all the while you hold the telephone. Ear drums aren't made of cast iron and you can imagine what the party at the other end of the line thinks.

Talk naturally and pleasantly. Start by saying, "Hello, Doris." "Miss" is in mothballs. If you are making the call and it is a date you want, name the night, the time and what is going on. "Are you doing anything tomorrow night?" "Sure, I'm going to the cinema. I don't know what it is going to get stuck with. When you get a 'Yes, I'm busy' answer on that one, you asked for it."

Learn, if you are a girl, how to make pleasant phone conversation without being around for the coming football game. "Boredom," boasting, breathless eagerness and that "I'll squeeze in your date if it possibly can" attitude will get you nothing but a cold-shoulder. Strike the sincere, friendly medium. "Be a right number."

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General Tin Travelled Far

—He Went to Places No One Had Heard Of—

By MAX TRELL



Even polar bears were cold in Icecold Land.

"A H, yes," General Tin was saying, "there are many strange lands that no one has ever been able to find in a geography book. And I really don't know why. They used to be in my geography book."

Knarf and Hand, the shadows with the turned-about names, said together: "What lands, General Tin?"

"Well," answered General Tin, "there's the land of Chickie-Chickie, for instance. I can't seem to find that in any of the geography books that the children use nowadays."

"Chickie—Chickie?" said Hand, in a puzzled voice. "Where's that?"

"It's quite far away, my dear. You sail to the middle of the ocean and then you follow the Equator until all of a sudden, there it is! It's an island, of course, surrounded completely by water except on the top. It's inhabited by chickens."

"Chickie!" exclaimed Knarf. "Clean And Neat—"

"Yes, hundreds and thousands and millions of chickens, all living in chicken-houses, which they keep very clean and neat by never going inside except on Sundays and holidays. The rest of the time they stay outside, scratching in the grass for worms. All the chickens wake up promptly at daybreak because all the roosters all caw at the same time. It's very noisy and galeopulous."

"What galeopulous mean?" asked Knarf.

"I don't know," replied General Tin, "except that's how it is in Chickie-Chickie. And you mustn't think Chickie-Chickie is such a curious name, either. After all, there's a well-known country called Turkey."

Knarf and Hand, rather surprised, agreed that this was so. "And then," General Tin went on, "there's Icecold-land. It's way up near the North Pole. It's so cold there that no one can live there but the polar bears, and they have to wear sweaters and overcoats and galoshes and mufflers and gloves and ear-muffs and woolen stockings and big fur hats that come down to their eyes. It starts snowing in September and doesn't stop until the end of August. The polar bears live on ice-cream flavoured with chocolate syrup and hot milk."

"Why goodness!" exclaimed Hand. "What became of it?"

"Oh! Well, everybody knows what became of it. It's in every geography book now. It became Greenland." And General Tin smiled at the astonishment in Knarf and Hand's faces.

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Liverpool All Out For 50-Year-Old Record

PROSPECTS IN TODAY'S HOME SOCCER MATCHES

London, Dec. 9. — The First Division leaders, Liverpool, having played 19 games without defeat this season, are now chasing a 50-year-old record set up by Sheffield United, who once played 22 games before being beaten.

Liverpool should get nearer that record on Saturday with a win against lowly Huddersfield Town, who have won only three games on their own ground this season.

WEEK-END SPORT

TODAY

Athletics—Schools' Athletics at Caroline Hill, 9.30 a.m.
Cricket—First Division League: Rovers v. Commandos at King's Park; R.A.F. v. Army at Kai Tak; IRC v. Navy at Soekunpo; KCC v. Optimists at Cox's Road; Craggower v. University at Happy Valley.
Second Division League: Commandos v. R.A.F. at Soekunpo; Friendly: University 2nd XI v. KCC 2nd XI at Pokfulam.
Football—Challenge Shield Senior matches: Kitcher v. South China at Happy Valley; Chinese Athletic v. Club at Causeway Bay. Kick-off at 3.45 p.m.
Challenge Shield Junior matches: South China v. Talkoo at Happy Valley, 2 p.m.; Talkoo v. Chinese Athletic at Causeway Bay, 2 p.m.; Eastern v. Club at Happy Valley, 2 p.m.; Prisons v. News Vendors at Happy Valley, 3.45 p.m.
Golf—Ladies v. Officers match at Fanling.
Low Bowls—KBGC v. USRC at Kowloon Bowling Green Club, 2.30 p.m.
Rugby—Rugby Cup Tournament: Army v. Police at Soekunpo, 3 p.m.; Commandos v. R.A.F. at Soekunpo, 4.15 p.m.; Navy v. Club at Boundary Street, 4.15 p.m.
Friendlies: Club "B" v. South Staffs at Boundary Street, 3 p.m.; **Football—League Matches** at King's Park: At CBA Ground—McTyreans v. St Teresa's, 2 p.m.; Canadians v. Pirates, 3.30 p.m.; At Rovers ground: Delawares v. Spartans, 2 p.m.; Pandas v. Rovers, 3.30 p.m.

TOMORROW

Athletics—Schools' Athletics at Caroline Hill, 8 a.m.
Cricket—Friendlies: Presidents v. King George's v. School, 9 a.m.; Occasionals v. Civil Servants, 11 a.m.; Combined Chinese v. R.A.F. at Kai Tak, 11 a.m.
Football—Challenge Shield Senior matches: News Vendors v. R.A.F. at Happy Valley; Commandos v. KMB at Soekunpo; Army v. Kwong Wah at Causeway Bay; Police v. Navy at Boundary Street. Kick-off at 3.45 p.m.
Challenge Shield Junior matches: St Joseph's v. R.A.F. at Happy Valley; PCA v. Commandos at Soekunpo; Naval Yard Police v. Army at Causeway Bay; Navy v. Police at Boundary Street. Kick-off at 2 p.m.
Hockey—Association Matches: Navy v. R.A.F. at King's Park, 11.30 a.m.; Commandos v. Police at Soekunpo, 10 a.m.; Pak SC v. Chand Tara at King's Park, 10 a.m.; HKIC v. University at King's Park, 11 a.m.; YMCA v. KCC at King's Park, 10 a.m.; Army v. Nomads at Soekunpo, 11.15 a.m.; Rovers "A" v. Rovers "B" at King's Park, 10 a.m.
Softball—League Matches at King's Park—At CBA ground: Overseas Chinese v. Griffin, 9.30 a.m.; Canadians v. Cum, 11 a.m.; St Joseph's v. Chung Hwa, 12.30 p.m.; HKBC v. Overseas Chinese, 2 p.m.; Aces v. Jaguars, 3.30 p.m.; At Rovers ground: Braves v. Blackhawks, 9.30 a.m.; St Teresa's v. Americans, 11 a.m.; Daredevils v. Paks, 12.30 p.m.; Pandas v. Jaguars, 2 p.m.; USS "Sallybury Sound" v. Madcaps, 3.30 p.m.

Pakistan Lawn Tennis Tourney

Lahore, Dec. 9.—Pakistan's No. 1 player, Iftikhar Ahmad, today won his way into the men's singles final of the Pakistan Lawn Tennis Championships here.
 After a hard fight he beat Heraldo Wells, of Argentina, by 2-6, 6-2, 6-4, 8-6 and 6-3.
 In the third round of the men's doubles, Fouslo Gardini and Giuliano Scibani, of Italy, beat Colonel Rafique and Major Masood, of Pakistan, by 6-4, 6-2. G. do Stefan and Ferrand Cavriani, of Italy, beat Raf and Captain Ahmad, of Pakistan, by 6-3, 6-2. Khokhar and Afzal Hayat, of Pakistan, beat Alphonse and Zai, of Pakistan, by 6-7, 6-2.
 In the women's doubles quarter-finals Mrs. H. Wells, of Argentina, and Mrs. Kazi, of Pakistan, beat Mrs. Wintley and Mrs. Campbell, of Pakistan, by 6-0.—*Reuter.*

Manchester United, three points behind Liverpool, have a tougher assignment in travelling to London to play Fulham, a team which is stronger in defence than it is in attack.

However, Manchester's star-studded forward line with the bewildering switching of its three inside forwards, should ensure at least a draw for the Nothmers.

BATTLE ROYAL

The big game of the day is the meeting of Portsmouth, last year's League champion, and Arsenal.

Portsmouth will welcome back their old centre-half and captain Reg Fieolin, who has now completely recovered from an appendectomy.

Fieolin's capable deputy, Bill Spence, will not lose his place. He is to take over the right-half position from Jimmy Scouler, who is having more trouble with an ankle injury.

If Arsenal play the brand of soccer they showed when beating the A.K. of Stockholm 8-0 on Thursday, the very sound Portsmouth defence will have to work hard.

Dan Ekner, the Swedish amateur, retains his place in the Portsmouth forward line. He will partner International Peter Harris on the right wing.

WOLVES' CHANCE

Wolverhampton Wanderers, who have not won a game for almost two months, should get out of the groove with a home win against Bolton Wanderers.

The Wolves, in playing Arsenal to a 1-1 draw last week gave promise of returning to their best.

Charlton Athletic entertain Derby County, who last week annihilated goals into the Manchester City net with a full strength forward line which included Scotland's inside left, Billy Steel, and £24,000 inside right Johnny Morris.

Morris, a capable goal scorer as well as ever, and the Charlton defence may not be good enough to hold this Derby line, in which centre forward Jackie Stamps is dovetailing so well with his inside men.

Derby's defence, too, will be strengthened by the return of rightback Bert Mozley, who pulled out of England's team to play Italy because of a leg injury.

Up in fifth place in the First Division is Burnley whose powerful defence should ensure at least a division of points from the trip to Middlesbrough. Burnley's forwards are not particularly attractive, but, led by Larry Potts, they can score plenty of goals when in their brightest mood.

SPURS' RUN

Tottenham Hotspur, out on their own at the head of the Second Division, should chalk up another home win against Swansea Town, as Sonny Walters, the regular outside right, is still unfit, deputy Fred Cook stays in the forward line.

Second place Hull City, whose defence is still not quite strong enough to ensure promotion, receive Sheffield United and third place Sheffield Wednesday entertain West Ham.

Hull's unbeaten home record does not seem to be in danger, but Wednesday will have to go all out to beat West Ham, who a week ago proved too fast for them.

Third Division clubs are engaged in the second round of the Football Association Cup. The survivors of this round and the first and second division teams will go into the third round of the tournament, scheduled for January 7.—*Associated Press.*

Pressure Applied For Higher Wages

Paris, Dec. 9.—News of strikes and threatened stoppages, including a possible general strike of railwaymen, today put further pressure on the French Government for higher wages.

Railway unions have told their members to be "ready for any action necessary to defend their legitimate interests" following a proposed 40 percent economy cut by State lines.—*Reuter.*

Atomic Knowledge

Washington, Dec. 9.—Britain now has the technical and scientific knowledge necessary to produce atomic bombs in Britain, participants in the recent American-British-Canadian atomic talks informed *Reuter today.*—*Reuter.*

Tattersalls December Sales At Newmarket

Smallest Turnover For Some Years

Newmarket, Dec. 9.—The turnover at this week's Tattersalls December bloodstock sales was the smallest for some years, the total aggregate being 615,809 guineas for 813 lots sold during the five-day sales.

The record total for the December sales is 805,740 guineas in 1946. The aggregate in 1947 was 749,973 guineas and last year the turnover was 678,522.

The 168 lots which were bought for export this week realised 171,049 guineas. This total does not include private sales. Of the 168 exported, the Anglo-Irish Agency bought over 50 lots.

The total aggregate for Tattersalls' various bloodstock sales at Newmarket and Doncaster this year is 1,927,836 guineas for 2,425 lots sold.

Today's business was the quietest of the week, 103 lots being sold for 42,258 guineas, compared with 27,900 guineas for 497 lots on the final day of last year's sales.

FOR AMERICA

The highest price paid today was 5,000 guineas for the five-year-old mare Hyperionetta, by Hyperion out of Caramella, who is believed in foal to the Irish triple Classic winner, Windsor Slipper.

After bidding for the mare had started at 3,000 guineas, Hyperionetta was quickly run to £5,000, at which point she was sold to the British Bloodstock Agency for export to America.—*Reuter.*

Chenier Leads Donaldson In Snooker Match

London, Dec. 9.—George Chenier, the Canadian Champion, and Walter Donaldson, former World Champion, played marathon snooker in the early session of their 37-frame snooker match in the "News of the World" £1,500 tournament at the Leicester Square Hall today.

Safety play was the order in a battle of wits which lasted 2 hrs 55 mins. Forty minutes were spent over the first frame, which was unexpectedly ended midway by the sudden failure of the lights. The stoppage was only temporary.

Chenier, receiving 13 points in each frame, won five of the six frames this afternoon to lead 11 to seven at the interval.

The scores (with Chenier first) were: 63 to 49, 111 to 23, 84 to 58, 88 to 33, 40 to 78 and 62 to 55.—*Reuter.*

STAGE CLUB PERFORMANCE

The Hongkong Stage Club's performance of Mary Hayley Bell's "Duet For Two Hands" at the China Fieet Club Theatre will start at 9 p.m. sharp tonight, and not 9.30 p.m. as advertised previously.

The play is in two acts. For the convenience of Kowloon patrons, a special ferry will run from the Kowloon Police Pier at 8.25 p.m. and return to Kowloon after the show.

KCC TEA DANCE

It was announced this morning that whether or not rain interfered with the tennis tournament at the KCC tomorrow, the dance would be held. It rain prevents tennis, the dance will start at 4 o'clock.

Cricket Match Off

The cricket match between the Scorpions and the Army Eleven at Chater Road today, has been cancelled.

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BIBLE AUDITORIUM Chatham & Mody Rds., Kowloon. F. W. Delamore & Henry Meisner, Evangelists.

Saturday, Dec. 10. 2.30 p.m. Bible School. 4.00 p.m. English Preaching. 9.00 p.m. "Who Made the Universe? Is God a Real Being or only a Spirit?"

(To be translated into Cantonese). Sunday, Dec. 11. 8.00 p.m. "According to Bible Prophecy, will there be a Second Dictatorship? Will Dictator X succeed? Where Hitler failed?" (Cantonese translation).

Friday, Dec. 16. 8.00 p.m. "Are Good Prayers Always Answered?" (Cantonese translation). (Special Mandarin sermons 7.00 p.m. Fri. Sat. & Sunday nights).

MEMORIAL CHURCH 17 Ventris Rd., Happy Valley, Hongkong. Evangelists: Sunday, Dec. 11. 11.00 a.m. Preachers: Rev. M. L. Collins. 6.30 p.m. Mr. George Moore. 8.00 p.m. Social Hour in the Home. (All Services Invited.)

8.00 p.m. Radcliffe's Monday and Wednesday evenings in the S. and S. Home. Tuesday, Dec. 13. 9.15 p.m. "Pre for all" Programme for the Service, arranged by Radcliffe, at the S. and S. Home.

Thursday, Dec. 15. 8.30 p.m. Devotional Service in the S. and S. Home.

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